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RECONSTRUCTION IN CHINA

ECONOMIC SELF-HELP FOR NATION

DR. KUNG'S PROPOSALS ADOPTED BY POLITICAL COUNCIL

Shanghai, To-day.

A comprehensive programme of national recovery through economic self-help and the elimination of waste and extravagance, the nationalisation of domestic industry, the unification and control of productive enterprises, the promotion of arbitration between capital and labour and the development of foreign trade, submitted by Dr. H. H. Kung to the sixth plenary session of the Central Executive Council, has been adopted by the Central Political Council.

The seven Ministries affected by the proposals have been instructed to draw up memoranda within a month on the measures of their enforcement.

The programme seeks the fulfilment of the policy announced by Dr. Kung on his assumption of office and includes the abolition of exorbitant levies and miscellaneous taxes and a reduction in or exemption from the farm surtax, so as to ameliorate the livelihood of the people.

Other points, such as the imposition of an equalisation tax designed to prevent the outflow of silver and the enforcement of the policy of legal tender to readjust the monetary situation, have already been carried out. — Reuter.

NEW PEACE PARLEY

PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Suggestion Welcomed In Brazil

CHACO SOLUTION EXAMPLE TO THE WORLD

Buenos Aires, To-day.

Replying to President Roosevelt's suggestion for a Pan-American peace conference, President Justo shares the view that the time has come for the consolidation of peace on the American continent. He declares that the recent Chaco solution demonstrated the possibilities of international organisms and pacts, and expresses the opinion that the world situation can only profit from the proposed examination, which might be extended to the commercial and economic domains.

It is suggested that the conference be held at Buenos Aires. — Reuter.

GERMANY MARKS TIME

Waiting For Lead By Britain

Berlin, To-day.

Any fresh proposals that Britain and France might bring forward for a European settlement will be welcomed by Germany, which is at present only doing the same as the other Powers, namely, looking after her own defences.

This is the gist of an article in the *Frankfurter Zeitung*, which, it is understood, finds considerable sympathy in official quarters. — Reuter.

AN EMERGENCY DECREE

Maintenance Of Peace And Order

Peiping, To-day.

The local Bureau of Public Safety has been instructed to carry out an emergency decree for keeping peace and order issued by the National Government, and any one who stirs up trouble in schools or causes public disorder will be liable to severe punishment, according to Major Chin Teh-chuen, in an interview with the press yesterday.—Central News Agency.

LEITH-ROSS MISSION

VISIT TO CANTON CONCLUDED

SIR FREDERICK MEETS MR. HU

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, To-day.

Having concluded his survey of the economic situation here, Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, economic expert of the British Exchequer, and his entourage are scheduled to leave here this afternoon on their return to Shanghai via Hong Kong.

During his four days' stay in Canton Sir Frederick met all the important Government officials and had a two-hours' conversation with Mr. Hu Han-min, the ranking Kuomintang leader, on Saturday morning. The two, it is understood, discussed general political and economic problems.

In view of the speculations in connection with Sir Frederick's visit to Canton, he will probably meet newspaper men this afternoon and make clear the purpose of his visit. While the British economist is primarily interested in the financial and monetary situation, Japanese newspapers in Shanghai declared that he has a "special mission in Canton."

For many years Canton officialdom has been very friendly towards Britain and Hong Kong and would consider in a favourable light any development scheme beneficial to both sides.

LABOUR M.P. PASSES

London, To-day.—The death has occurred of the Labour member of Parliament, Mr. William Adamson, former Secretary for Scotland.—Reuter.

Warning to motorists came too late and hundreds of cars throughout New York State were stranded in the manner shown, as record snow and gales made the highways impassable last month. Here a plough digs through on the Onondaga Lake parkway near Syracuse.

Mrs. Dunbar leading in Liberty Bay (Mr. Frost) after his third successive win in the Foochow Cup on Saturday. ("China Mail" photo).

TRADE FIGURES ISSUED

Shanghai's Imports And Exports

Shanghai, To-day.

The total value of imports into Shanghai last month amounted to $36,952,269, showing a decrease of $19,795,685 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, while the value of exports was recorded at $37,344,341, showing an increase of $9,931,921 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, according to statistics released by the Customs.—Central News Agency.

U.S. MINISTER'S DEATH

Salute Fired In Hong Kong

As a mark of respect to the late Mr. Henry Latrobe Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the United States Navy Department, whose death occurred at Washington on Saturday, the flags on all H. M. Ships in port were hoisted at half-mast this morning, and at noon a salute of 17 guns was fired, in conformation with the procedure adopted by the U. S. authorities.

Commodore C. G. Sedgwick, R.N., this morning sent an officer to the Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. Mindanao to express the sympathy of the British Navy with the American in their loss.

RELATIONS WITH JAPAN

MR. HIROTA'S THREE PRINCIPLES

ALLEGED ACCEPTANCE BY CHINA

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, To-day.

Despite the statement of the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Hirota, in the Japanese Diet, that the National Government had accepted his three-point programme, Dr. C. T. Wang, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Central Political Council, told foreign correspondents last evening that no such acceptance had been made.

One correspondent suggested that the Nanking Foreign Office denied having made any acceptance in ignorance of what General Chiang might have undertaken. Dr. Wang stressed that General Chiang deals with the foreign Powers through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Questioned when and where the Sino-Japanese Readjustment Conference will be held, Dr. Wang stated that the locale would be either Nanking or Tokyo, but that he could not make a definite statement until the new Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Hachiro Arita, arrived in Nanking.

The Ambassador left Tokyo last Saturday, February 22, for China.

Dr. Wang said that he would call on Mr. Hu Han-min to-day but that his visit had nothing to do with politics. He had no political mission in Canton, the diplomat added.

Mr. Hirota's three principles are (1) China's recognition of Manchukuo, (2) co-operation between China, Japan and Manchukuo to the exclusion of other Powers, and (3) Sino-Japanese co-operation in suppressing Communism in China.

Tokyo dispatches insist that Nanking has accepted these terms "in principle."

R.A.F. PLANE IN MISHAP

Forced Landing At Namkwan Harbour

Shanghai, To-day.

An R. A. F. plane from Amoy made a forced landing at Namkwan Harbour at 1.35 p.m. owing to bad weather.—Reuter.

Bear Claw (Mr. Frost), winner of the Maiden Stakes on Saturday, being led in by Mrs. Dunbar, the owner. ("China Mail" photo).

FATAL ACCIDENT AT VALLEY

High Honour Falls With Rider

The morning gallops at the Race Course yesterday were marred by an accident, which eventually proved to be a fatal one, to a Chinese riding boy named Ko Cheung, who was riding Mr. L.T.F.'s High Honour.

The pony came down at the winning post and his rider was thrown heavily. He was rushed to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from a fractured leg, where he succumbed to his injuries at 9.55 p.m. last night.

High Honour was out again this morning, doing the customary gallops at the Valley.

CARNIVAL IN SPAIN

Enthusiasm At Left Victory

Madrid, To-day.

Various demonstrations have been held in honour of the Left victory and the signing of the amnesty, but the official celebration has been postponed until March 1, when the whole of Spain will rejoice over the new Government.

Meanwhile the spirit of carnival holds sway. The streets are filled with singing and joyful demonstrators and politics are temporarily relegated to the background.—Reuter.

GLADIATOR BEATS KING'S WARDEN

LANCASHIRE LAD WINS PERTH PLATE

FAVOURITES FARE BADLY AT THE VALLEY

(By "Rapier")

In direct contrast to last Saturday, favourites fared poorly at the Valley this morning, only one — Bistre (Mr. Liang) — winning in the five races before tiffin. Though there were several useful dividends, Mr. Ulster's Shamrock, ridden by Mr. Paul Botelho, established a 1936 record by paying $161.50 for his third place in The Tower Stakes.

The best win of the morning, however, was that of Mr. Hem's Gladiator (Mr. Frost) over King's Warden (Mr. Marshall) in The Victoria Stakes. It is most unusual for the champion jockey's mount to pay a $71.30 dividend, but that was what resulted. He was, however, lucky inasmuch as King's Warden bored out badly twice over the last furlong when he appeared as if he must win.

The Derby is likely to prove a walk-over for Mr. Hartrand's Royal Scot (Mr. Harriman) according to the general consensus of opinion at the Valley, though I am inclined to think that Bear Claw will not be far away, while Honeymoon Eye and King's Lead are two other very formidable challengers.

In the absence of Wild Cat, winner of the Valley Stakes, The Gorilla was made favourite for the Tower Stakes, but, after being in a satisfactory position all the way round, he again failed, being beaten into fifth place.

Gold Sovereign (Mr. da Rozi) looked as if he would win on the corner into the home stretch, but Blue Ribbon (Mr. Encarnacao) came through with a great burst to win by two lengths, while Cassius (Mr. Proulx) just managed to share the third place stake money with Shamrock (Mr. Botelho), which finished strongly to pay a place dividend of $161.50 to each of his four supporters.

The cash sweep first prize was worth only $784.00.

(Continued on Page 9)

RESULTS

8—4.00 P.M.—THE HONG KONG DERBY.—A Sweepstakes of $20 each, $50 additional for Starters with $3,000 added. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Winner to receive 70 per cent., Second 20 per cent., Third 10 per cent., of the total amount. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies to be ridden by Jockeys who have won at least 10 Official flat races anywhere or Jockeys approved by the Stewards. One and a Half Miles.

Eve's Honeymoon Eve 161 lb. (Mr. V. V. Needa) 1

Dynasty's King's Lead (late Guiding Star) 161 lb. (Mr. F. Marshall) 2

Harbrad's Royal Scot 161 lb. (Mr. G. A. Harriman) 3

Also ran:—Bear Claw, 161 lb., (Mr. L. G. Frost); Boolat Bay, 161 lb., (Mr. E. O. Butler); Dawn Star, 158 lb., (Mr. D. S. Li); Laughing Girl, 158 lb., (Mr. N. Deitz); Royal Highness, 161 lb., (Mr. D. Black); and Silversmith, 155 lb., (Mr. H. C. Pih).

9 starters.

Race 8

1st Prize $69,963.30
2nd Prize $19,989.80
3rd Prizes $9,994.90
Unplaced Starters (each): $1,135.80.

[Other results will be found on page 2.]

ARGENTINE MINISTER DIES

Mardelplata, To-day.—The death has occurred of General Rodriguez, War Minister of the Argentine Republic.—Reuter.

SANCTIONS PARLEY

IMMEDIATE OIL EMBARGO?

FINANCIAL AID FOR ABYSSINIA

RESOLUTION BY LEAGUE OF NATIONS SOCIETIES

Geneva, To-day.

A resolution urging the application of further sanctions against Italy will be presented to the Committee of Eighteen when it meets on March 2 by the International Federation of League of Nations Societies.

The resolution declares that the sanctions at present in force do not near the lengths prescribed by Article XVI of the Covenant. Therefore the Committee of Eighteen is asked to vote an oil embargo immediately and if necessary, the closing of League ports to Italian ships and also ships of the neutral Powers carrying goods to Somaliland and Eritrea.

The resolution also calls for a grant of financial assistance to Abyssinia. — Reuter.

HONG KONG DERBY

Cash Sweep Results

Honeymoon Eve (1)	93626
King's Lead (2)	120154
Royal Scot (3)	59391
Amberley	145377
Bear Claw	145083
Boolat Bay	75505
Dawn Star	114515
Donovan	117598
Forest View	45903
Gay Star	15837
Glorious View	152449
King's Sceptre	110861
Laughing Buddha	44236
Laughing Girl	138628
Magnificent View	91929
Miracle	70053
Old Star	67076
Rosemary	161069
Royal Comfort	103415
Royal Highness	10501
Royal Wedding Eve	56144
Silversmith	71485
Splendid View	29620
Thunder Bay	99781
Tyne	90333

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FROM EUROPE

	Feb.
Van Heutsz (Air Mail ex Imperial Service)	„ 25

FROM SHANGHAI

	Feb.
Chenonceaux	„ 25
Memnon	„ 25
Teiresias	„ 27
Burdwan	„ 28
Hakozaki Maru	„ 28
Hakone Marue	„ 28
Emp. of Japan	„ 28
Pres. Polk	„ 28
Asama Maru	„ 29

FROM U.S.A.

	Feb.
Emp. of Japan	„ 28
Pres. Polk	„ 28

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

	Feb.
Van Heutsz	„ 25
Tango Maru	„ 27
Eumaeus	„ 28
Hosang	„ 29
Hector	„ 29

FROM JAPAN

	Feb.
Tokiwa Maru	„ 27
Emp. of Japan	„ 28
Hakone Maru	„ 28
Pres. Polk	„ 28
Hakozaki Maru	„ 28
Asama Maru	„ 29

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR EUROPE

	Feb.
Chenonceaux (Air Orient Service)	„ 25
Closes: Reg. 10 a.m. Ord. 10.30 a.m.	
Memnon (via Marseilles)	„ 25
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.	
Emp. of Russia (via Siberia)	„ 26
Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.	

FOR SHANGHAI

	Feb.
Emp. of Russia	„ 26
Hakozaki Maru	„ 28

FOR JAPAN

	Feb.
Tyndareus	„ 25
Emp. of Russia	„ 26
Hakozaki Maru	„ 28

FOR U.S.A.

	Feb.
Tyndareus	„ 25
Emp. of Russia	„ 26

FOR MANILA

	Feb.
Emp. of Japan	„ 28

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

	Feb.
Suisang	„ 26

FOR AUSTRALIA

	Feb.
Memnon	„ 24

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Women's Page

The Smartest Tweeds

Have A Shaggy Appearance

AN AIR OF RUSTICITY

The smartest tweeds of the moment have a very shaggy appearance, and an air of rusticity which contrasts amusingly with the splendour of our evening modes.

Large checks and plaids, and bright patches of colour also help to make our tweeds look gay wearable. It is a smart idea to combine plaid materials with fabrics of a single colour.

There are suits which consist of a rather thick tweed skirt, very slim, and having two short pleats at the hem, one over each knee, worn with a cardigan in plaid material. The skirt may be in brown tweed flecked with green and red, while the cardigan may be a well-fitting affair, buttoned down the front, with square shoulders and a leather belt to match the buttons.

The material of which it is made is of brown, green and red plaid, and the scarf which tucks into the neckline is of plain brown chenille, crocheted in a rather loose stitch.

With Sleeveless Jerkin

Another slightly different type of ensemble is the plainly cut skirt, usually having the two knee pleats made of dark tweed flecked in a colour, worn with a plain jersey of the darkest colour in the skirt.

Over this goes a sleeveless jerkin, with a straight collar and lapels made entirely of plaid woollen and the overcoat is a fitted, full length affair, with wide revers and mannish shoulders made of the same fabric as the skirt.

Plaid Waistcoats

Plaid waistcoats are often cut high enough in the neck to enable one to dispense with a blouse or jersey.

There are usually long sleeves, set into comfortable arm-holes, and the garment may be double-breasted, with high revers, or it may be buttoned down the centre front.

When the coat is of the loose, three-quarter type (which is just as smart as ever) it is a good idea to have it lined with the plaid which makes the waistcoat.

The lining should come to within an inch of the edge of the very wide revers.

Remember The Scarf

The dress-and-coat ensemble is also very useful and popular. The dresses are made of loosely woven, light weight tweed with a rough surface.

Usually the neckline is plain, and in the form of a shallow "V," so that it can be filled in by a brightly coloured, contrasting scarf of velvet or knitted chenille. The coat is made of the same type of fabric, but in a heavier weight.

Hood Or Hat—Or Both

Some of the most comfortable of the latest tweed coats have cowl-shaved collars at the back which can be drawn over the head and used as a hood, when necessary.

This arrangement is ideal for windy, chilly days in the country, and whether you wear a beret, or a neat, close fitting little hat under the hood, or whether you simply wear the hood in the place of a hat is a matter of taste and convenience.

WOMEN NOW WEAR PLUMAGE

"Question Mark" Curls

Many smart French visitors have been in London during the last few days, writes a Home correspondent.

I saw several attractive women wearing what appeared to be a large "question mark" curl on their foreheads. These "curls," upon investigation, turned out to be made of plumage, and I was informed that by March or April we shall be wearing them in London.

These hats with curls will be shown at the early dress shows in Paris.

SNAPPY BUT NOT SUBTLE

English Women Are Better Dressed

AS COMPARED WITH HER AMERICAN FRIEND

A favourite question among women in England is whether American women dress as well as English women.

Mr. Norman Hartnell's answer is definitely in the negative. But there are three points on which our U.S. friends do score over us.

For make-up, stockings and accessories. American women get full marks, while Englishwomen cannot compete.

Despite these important assets, however, Mr. Hartnell considers that American women lack a certain essential quality which he calls "softness." He describes them as "snappy," but not "soft" or "subtle." In design and colour they have still a great deal to learn.

Studied Both Types

Mr. Hartnell has studied both types of women carefully, and has spent several weeks in New York, checking what American women want. On arriving back in London from the States, he said:

"I am more convinced than ever since I've been in New York that English women are better dressed. It has given me a great deal of pleasure to be able to compare English and American women at theatres and restaurants and still be able to say this."

CARVED CORK FOR BRACELETS

Bracelets are being made of queer stuff. Carved cork is a new material for their manufacture.

They slip over the hand like slave bangles, and are gilded so that they look like something rather barbaric. Their great attraction is their light weight.

Curl Up For Style Is Newest

Streamlining In The Hair

CHINESE DESIGNER'S ADVISE

Streamline coiffures, which mirror the modern trend in Shanghai, are going to be popular this season, according to Miss Helene Tsang, talented designer, who prefers to be known by her Chinese name, Tsingying.

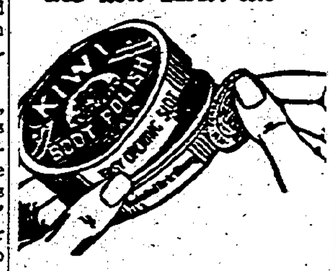
Miss Tsang who has studied in all the fashion centres of the world, says the trend for coiffures will be sleek for curled. And she advocates the combination of the old world and the new in the dressing of the hair. This hairdress is influenced by the Tang Dynasty, as are the dresses of a few smart ladies, and if worn, will be most becoming to the petite type of a girl.

Good Variety

There is a variety of types for choice, but all are inspired if not by the very old, then by the streamlined automobile and aeroplane, which make up modern society in Shanghai. The styles all are very smart and dressed-up, and with their hollow curls and straightness, they look as though the wind could sweep through them without missing a single hair.

One particularly flattering new coiffure features the sway curl, that starts from the centre to the side down.

This is the way to open the new Kiwi tin—



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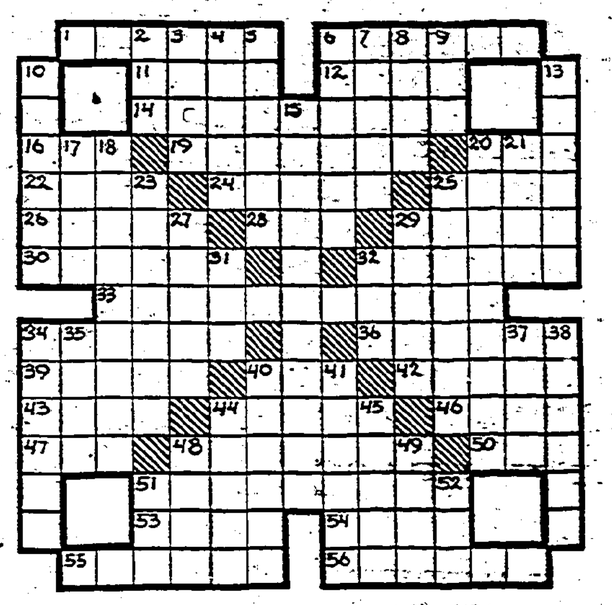
DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL
1—To bray, as a donkey
6—That is to say
11—Ascend
12—Small particle
14—Receivers (wireless)
15—Insane
19—A singing voice
20—Mineral spring
22—Greek god of war
24—Very small
25—Box
26—Cut into cubes
28—Report (abbr.)
29—Backbone
30—Mariner
32—Small pieces of rock
33—Blind fury
34—Evoked
36—Render soft and tough by heating
39—Debates
40—American Temperance Society (abbr.)
42—Earth (Lat.)
43—Prussia (abbr.)
44—One who publicly cries sales
46—Wild animal

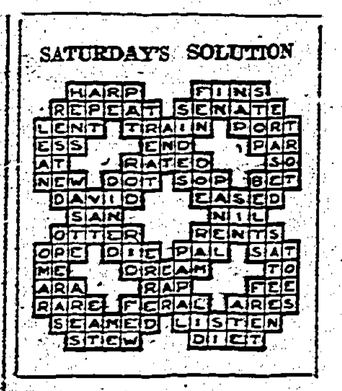
HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
47—A letter
48—Releases on honor, as a prisoner
50—A game
51—Contingent
53—A beverage (pl.)
54—Vault
55—Dexterous
56—Intermediate in quality

VERTICAL
2—Make a mistake
3—Hurries
4—Famous English race course
5—Hired mourner
6—Floating in water, as a leaf
7—Want of tone
8—Language of the Moros
9—A type measure (pl.)
10—Rovers
13—Gazes fixedly
15—Readiness

VERTICAL (Cont.)
17—Melody
18—Short-lived
20—Spinning organ of a spider
21—Glass in a window
23—Chooses
25—Indulged in sentimental love-making
27—Gives medicine to
29—Serve scantily
31—Doctor of Political Science (Lat. abbr.)
32—Station (abbr.)
34—Domain of an emperor
35—June-bugs
37—Surface
38—Bigger
40—Check
41—Not often
44—Antic
45—To pass, as a rope through a hole
48—Hawaiian goddess
49—Cut (Scot.)
51—Dip slightly into water, as a bird
52—Prefix. Thrice

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION



MOIRE AMONG THE NEW FABRICS

Material Gaining Favour

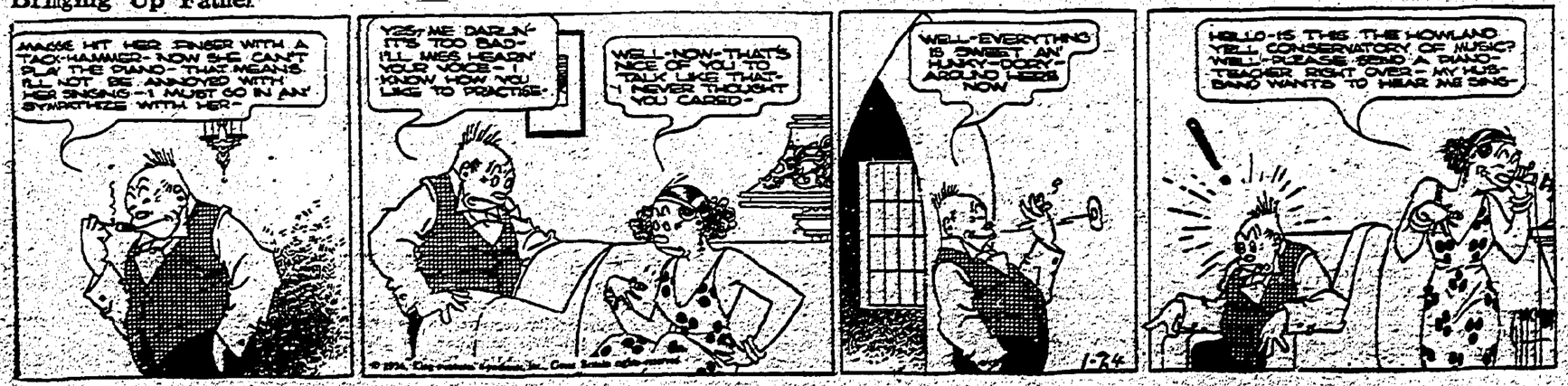
A comparatively new material which is gaining great favour is moire, whites a Home correspondent. I am authoritatively told that this will be well in the limelight for evening wear during 1936. It will be much in request for afternoon frocks too, as well as for tailored suits.

For those who are not thrilled by the thought of a moire evening gown, lace offers an attractive alternative. It is exactly suited to the smartest dinner and dance dresses of the moment, as well as to the elegant gowns for the future.

The all-lace ensemble of to-day has acquired greater distinction now that the lace gown itself is fashioned on more tailored lines.

If you wore heavy silks and velvets last season, the fragile charm of lace should be very welcome. But it must be remembered that the newest laces are of the fine cobebby type very transparent and stiffened by a size or horsehair effect.

Bringing Up Father



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ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1936
22nd., 24th., 25th., 26th., and 29th. February, 1936

ON SATURDAY, 22nd, MONDAY 24th., TUESDAY, 25th., and WEDNESDAY, 26th. February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m. and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On SATURDAY, 29th. February, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

MEMBERS BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $10.00 per day including tax — or $40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies $5.00 and $20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, Telephone No. 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission of the Public Enclosure is $2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at $1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,
C. R. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 17th February, 1936.

Company Meetings

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 21st February 1936, to THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong 12th February, 1936.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on WEDNESDAY, 11th March, 1936, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1935 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 29th February to 11th March 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

And notice is hereby also given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place immediately after the termination of the above mentioned Ordinary General Meeting for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions, namely:—

(1) That it is desirable to capitalize the sum of $1,500,000, being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund, and accordingly that a bonus of $1,500,000 be declared and that such bonus be applied on behalf of the persons who on the 29th day of February 1936 are the registered holders of the 450,000 issued shares of the Company in payment in full for 150,000 shares of the Company of $10 each and that such 150,000 shares credited as fully paid be accordingly allotted to such persons respectively in the proportion of one of such shares for every three of the said 450,000 shares then held by such persons respectively and that such shares shall rank for dividend as from the 1st day of January 1936.

(2) That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fraction of a share, the Directors shall, in *lieu* of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the nett proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to such fractions making up the share.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 19th February, 1936.

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 10th March, 1936, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 24th February, to TUESDAY, 10th March, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

O. EAGER,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th February, 1936.

Amusements

Cinema Notes

"O'SHAUGHNESSY'S BOY"—KING'S THEATRE

This picture, which features Wallace Berry and Jackie Cooper in the leading roles, was directed by Richard Boleslawski, who has "Les Miserables" and "Clive of India" to his credit.

Again the spirit and essence of "The Champ" have been captured from a different, novel angle, with an appealing, heart-throbbing twist of a father's regeneration through the love of his son, the son, realising the sacrifices of his father, in turn sacrificing himself, as the picture reaches a triumphant, smashing climax.

From the standpoint of circus spectacle, "O'Shaughnessy's Boy" has never been equalled on the screen. A complete circus was erected, including a menagerie tent with elephants, tigers, lions, monkeys, camels, water buffalo, llamas, and many other animals, big top and side shows.

There is a circus parade and many intimate shots of the circus on the road, the "privilege car," and the thrills of circus life.

The tiger-elephant act, around which the action revolves, was said to be an impossibility by many expert circus men, but it will be seen for the first time on the screen, when Wallace Beery puts a tiger on an elephant's back and puts the two jungle beasts through a ring of fire.

"SHIPMATES FOREVER"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

This picture, starring Dick Powell and Ruby Keeler in the leading roles, deals with the life at the Naval Academy and the subsequent careers of the young men who become after their graduation exactly what the title states, "Shipmates Forever."

Dick in the beginning is a radio singer, who to carry out the traditions of the family gives up his lucrative career to enter Annapolis. Ruby is the orphaned daughter of a Navy family, who to support herself teaches the children of the officers to dance. So that the singing and dancing in the picture fall in naturally.

Though hardly a musical, Dick Powell sings four songs, and the picture is really a powerful drama with music and dancing aptly introduced.

Other well known players in the cast are Lewis Stone, Ross Alexandra, John Arledge, Dick Foran, Robert Light and Eddie Acuff.

"THE RAIN-MAKERS"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Choosing aridity as a background for rollicking humour, and forsaking urban sublety for suburban simplicity, Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey bring to the screen a new and refreshing type of comedy in "The Rain-makers," their latest R.K.O. feature.

As a "scientist," inventor of a rain-making machine guaranteed to produce anything from a drizzle to a downpour, Woolsey fits into a new role with side-splitting effects on his spectators. In his efforts to make good (and to make rain), he is ludicrously assisted by Wheeler, a dirt farmer at heart whose life is a complex of dust and brain storms.

The story centres around the desperate efforts of the farmers of Lima Junction to obtain moisture for their parched crops. Woolsey comes to the rescue with his rainmaking machine, a weird conglomeration of gadgets.

Every variety of storm since Noah's flood follows, not to mention a wild climax in which the crash of two dynamite-laden locomotives threaten to blow Wheeler and Woolsey clear out of Lima county.

The picture has a splendid cast, including Dorothy Lee, Berton Churchill, George Meeker and Fredric Roland.

"A NIGHT AT THE OPERA"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

One of the most outstanding comedy teams in the United States appear again before the film public in "A Night At The Opera" after an absence of over a year.

Groucho, Chico and Harpo Marx all appear with an entirely new set of gags that have proved to be a riot wherever the picture has been shown. In order to test the risibility of each line and episode a novel method was devised. A stage was erected and an audience collected; then the Marxians went through their antics. In the wings the producers judged the amount of spontaneous laughter that greeted each joke, and if it was not sufficient that particular part was immediately "cut."

"METROPOLITAN"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

When Lawrence Tibbett, world's foremost baritone, says that he is interested in a native opera for the world, and he will do more than just talk about it.

Tibbett, whose return to films in "Metropolitan," the 20th Century-Fox, has created much comment, and has done as much as any other man to create opera on world subjects for the home stage.

Tibbett helped launch "The King's Henchman," and sang leading roles in "Peter Ibbetson" and "Emperor Jones." Most recently, he took the leading role in the Metropolitan Opera debut of "Merry Mount," an opera with a story of the New England pilgrims.

Tibbett's new picture, which was produced by Darryl F. Zanuck, traces the life-story of an opera singer, with his triumphs, tragedies, thrills and loves. His song repertoire in the new picture ranges from operatic selections from "Carmen" and Pagliacci" to the colourful "The Road to Mandalay."

Virginia Bruce is feature opposite Tibbett.

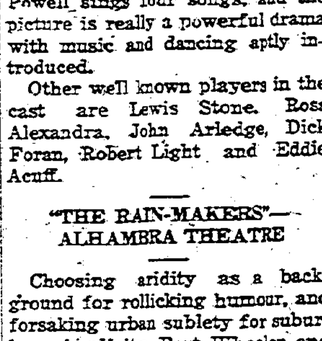
"THE BIG BROADCAST OF 1936"—STAR THEATRE

"The Big Broadcast of 1936" can be classed as an entertainment of the highest order in musical and comedy films. There is not a dull moment in this picture, which includes the highest talent from radio, stage and screen. Jack Oakie and Lyda Roberti provide the light comedy, while Burns and Allen are very enjoyable in their broader antics.

SHIPYARD'S NEW LIFE

Tynecraft Industries Ltd., a new company, has taken over a shipyard at Wallsend-on-Tyne, which will be adapted for joinery manufacture.

Ronald Colman is the hero in the 20th Century production, "The Man Who Broke The Bank At Monte Carlo," which will be screened at the King's and Alhambra Theatres soon.



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BRIDGE NOTES

TRUST YOUR PARTNER

By Ely Culbertson

"Trust your partner" the saying goes—but I think it should have the warning postscript "and listen carefully to your opponent."

You will never have a good partnership—and nothing is more important to a winning Bridge game—unless you have faith and confidence in your partner. On the other hand, you will never be a perfect partner unless you make allowances for those occasions, however rare, where your partner is wrong. The kind of allowances that count are not the kind that involve simply being understanding and pleasant after a mistake—they require understanding before it is too late for the mistake to be rectified.

North trusted his partner, but he saved him from a serious error in to-day's hand because he had listened to the opponents' bidding and reflected on what it meant.

North, Dealer
North-South vulnerable

	S. 8 5 H. A D. A Q J 6 4 C. K Q 10 9 5	
S. Q J 7 4 2 H. J 9 6 4 3 2 D. 9 5 C. ——	W E	S. K 10 9 H. K Q 10 7 5 D. 7 C. J 7 4 3
	S. A 6 3 H. 8 D. K 10 8 3 2 C. A 8 6 2	

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)

North	East	South	West
1D	1H(1)	3D(2)	3D(3)
4C(4)	4H	4NT (5)	5C(6)
5NT(7)	Pass	6D(8)	Pass
6NT(9)	Pass	Pass	Pass

1—A sound non-vulnerable overcall.
2—Forcing to game.
3—West senses a good save.
4—Showing a second suit—a slam try.
5—Conventional—showing two Aces and the diamond King.
6—West wants to indicate a saving lead against six diamonds, hoping partner will have enough clubs to prevent a successful slam bid in that suit.
7—Conventional.
8—This was South's mistake. He should have bid a slam in clubs, but feared a possible long card loser in that suit.
9—North to the rescue with a brilliant bid. Heeding West's cue bid in clubs, he was warned of the impending ruff of the opening lead; if North-South could make six diamonds in spite of the club ruff, they could make six notrump surely and possibly seven.

North's foresight proved wise. Played at diamonds, declarer would lose the first trick to a club ruff and later could not avoid the loss of a trick in spades. At notrump, however, 12 tricks were a laydown on the marked finesse for the Jack of clubs. It was a perfect case of trusting one's partner and one's opponents as well.

AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY

Germany's Technical Superiority

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Amsterdam, Saturday.

The German National Motor-car Exhibition, now being held in Berlin, earns unstinted praise from the correspondent of the *Algemeen Handelsblad* in that city, who stresses that the German motor-car industry is leading the technique of the world in many respects, especially as far as motor-lorries and omnibus chassis are concerned.

The correspondent devotes much space to the synthetic rubber products manufactured by the German Dye Trust, declaring that an impartial visitor to the Exhibition obtains the impression that synthetic rubber is not only in no way inferior to natural rubber, but even in some cases superior to it.—Trans-Ocean Service.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.'s).

Relay of Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra

Z.B.W. Programme

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
1.15 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
5-7 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra.
7-7.17 p.m.—"Hungarian Fantasia" (Liszt) played by Arthur de Greef (Pianoforte) and the Royal Albert Hall Orchestra.
7.17-7.30 p.m.—A Recital by Madame Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano).
1. Chanson Indoue (Song of India) (Rimsky-Korsakov).
2. Bolero—Les Filles de Cadiz (Delibes).
3. Carceleras (Prison Song) (Chapi).
4. Serenata (Tosti).
7.30-8 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music.
Happy, I'm Happy ("Caravan")
Wine Song ("Caravan")
Ballroom Memories No. 1.
Jerome Kern Medley
George Gershwin Medley
Nimon ("A Song for you").
Love, for ever I adore you.
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.
8.05-11 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.
11 p.m.—Close Down.
8.05-10 p.m.—European Programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 540 kilocycles.
8.05-8.24 p.m.—A Jazz Piano Recital by Rose da Costa.
1. I had to change the world.
2. One minute to one.
3. A Thousand Goodnights.
4. True.
5. Waltz Time Medley.
6. Dancing Butterfly.
8.24-8.30 p.m.—"Moonlight Mean-

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Sporting Page

SAINTS SUPPLY BIGGEST SOCCER SENSATION OF SEASON

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS DEFEATED

DAVID LEONARD SCORES DECIDING GOAL

SPLENDID DEFENCE SEEN

(By "Rover")

SOUTH China "A" sustained their second premier League soccer defeat of the season at Caroline Hill yesterday, losing to St. Joseph's by the only goal of the game, although a draw would have been a more fitting result.

Almost throughout the second half, St. Joseph's found themselves penned in their own half; their defence became panicky, and a packed goal was their only means of keeping out the swift South China raiders.

Represented by a far stronger combination, which included Fung King-cheong, Tay Quee-liang and Lee Tin-sang, South China were firm favourites for both points, but Leonard's goal, scored early in the first half, upset the critics in no small way.

South China's defence was as strong as a rock, both Lee Tin-sang and Lau Mau displaying all their old craft and understanding, while behind them, Chu Sin-hang proved a worthy substitute for Wong Wing. Yet they allowed themselves to be caught wide open by a very ordinary looking pass from Victor, and Leonard gave them no chance to recover.

Chinese Halves Fail

In the intermediate line the Chinese were not so strong. Individually, each man pulled his weight well, tackled strongly, and was careful in his distribution; yet they lacked cohesion. Lee Kwok-wai was the only one to make any effort to support his forwards.

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Saturday's Results At A Glance

SENIOR SHIELD—SEMI-FINAL

CLUB	0	POLICE	1
S. CHINA 'A'	5	S. CHINA 'B'	3

JUNIOR SHIELD—SEMI-FINAL

EAST LANCS.	6	EASTERN LIGA	1
ENGINEERS	3	PORTUGUESA	2

FIRST DIVISION

ATHLETIC	2	R.A. S'CUTTERS	2

SECOND DIVISION

S. CHINA	0	R.A.S.C. & R.A.O.C.	3
KOWLOON CLUB	0	NAVY	8
*RIFLES	3	ATHLETIC	0
RADIO	0	RECREIO	
		UNIVERSITY	11

THIRD DIVISION

AIR FORCE	3	ENGINEERS	2
FUSILIERS	1	C. POLICE	1

* not played.

Yesterday's Results At A Glance

FIRST DIVISION

S. CHINA "A"	0	ST. JOSEPH'S	1

SECOND DIVISION

R.A.S.C. & R.A.O.C.	3	UNIVERSITY	1
ENGINEERS	5	EASTERN	1

THIRD DIVISION

ENGINEERS	5	RIFLES	1
*E. POLICE	–	RAILWAY	–

* not played.

Tables To Date

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	L	D	Goals F	A	Pts
S. China "A"	13	11	2	0	51	14	22
Police	15	8	2	5	47	21	21
Fusiliers	15	7	3	5	34	26	19
Rifles	16	6	4	6	38	27	18
S. China "B"	12	6	1	5	25	16	17
Athletic	13	5	2	6	22	14	16
St. Joseph's	17	7	9	1	30	46	15
Club	14	6	5	3	29	25	15
East Lancs.	13	6	5	2	27	26	14
Recreio	14	5	5	4	24	22	14
Navy	12	6	6	0	35	31	12
Kowloon	14	3	10	1	22	34	7
R.A. (Lyemun)	15	2	11	2	26	48	6
R.A. (S'cutters)	17	1	14	2	14	74	4
Totals	200	79	79	42	424	424	200

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	L	D	Goals F	A	Pts
East Lancs.	16	13	0	3	58	15	29
Navy	14	12	1	1	75	18	25
Fusiliers	15	9	1	5	56	16	23
Rifles	15	9	3	3	42	20	21
South China	16	10	5	1	40	23	21
R. A. S. C. & R.A.O.C.	17	9	5	3	47	31	21
Engineers	16	9	5	2	42	25	20
Athletic	16	6	6	4	28	29	16
Eastern	17	4	9	4	33	47	12
Club	19	5	12	2	35	58	12
University	16	4	10	2	33	63	10
Recreio	15	3	12	0	21	58	6
Radio	15	2	12	1	21	66	5
Kowloon	19	2	16	1	13	83	5
Totals	226	97	97	32	544	544	226

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	L	D	Goals F	A	Pts
Fusiliers	17	11	2	4	50	23	26
Chinese Police	16	10	3	3	42	19	23
East Lancs.	12	9	1	2	48	28	21
Air Force	17	9	5	3	46	32	21
Medicals	12	6	4	3	32	25	15
Lisa P'tuguesa	13	7	2	0	36	24	14
Rifles	13	6	7	0	33	30	12
Engineers	14	5	7	2	30	28	12
European Police	14	4	9	1	26	40	9
St. Joseph's	14	2	11	1	24	48	5
Railway	14	0	14	0	5	76	0
Totals	158	69	69	28	364	364	158

ARMY YACHTING WIN

The yachting contest between the Army and Navy at North Point yesterday ended in a win for the Army by 2 points. On the day's sailing, the Navy scored 80 points against the Army's 72, but then their narrow win.

Mr. Leo Frost, left, the local champion jockey, carried off the riding honours on Saturday. Right, Mr. G. A. Harriman, who will be taking out the Derby favourite this afternoon. (Photos by von Kobza).

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB

High Handicap Competition

DRAW ANNOUNCED

The following is the draw and starting times for the High Handicap competition of the Kowloon Golf Club, to be played over the Kowloon City course next Sunday:

9.00	E. G. Judd and J. G. Charlton.
9.05	J. W. Martin and J. J. King.
9.10	H. E. Longbottom and C. E. Terry.
9.15	W. J. Geall and E. O. Murphy.
9.20	F. L. Rapley and H. C. Borner.
9.25	C. J. Roe and E. F. Barnes.
9.30	A. Andrews and H. G. Mancell.
9.35	W. J. Woolley and E. W. Gardiner.
9.40	J. S. Smith and W. Orr.
9.45	A. Gellatley and E. Christensen.
9.50	H. F. Westlake and L. Jack.
9.55	G. C. Moss and W. E. G. Hirst.
10.00	W. Stoker and T. Whitley.
10.05	C. G. Anderson and W. Kershaw.

Course Stewards:—A. Andrews and W. Stoker.

In the final of the "Dewar" Trophy played over the Kowloon City course yesterday G. P. Murphy beat E. O. Murphy by 3 and 2.

The semi-final round of the Captain's Cup resulted in W. T. Taylor defeating E. Black by 5 and 4 while T. D. Paton defeated R. K. Collings 2 up.

'VARSITY PROVE NO MATCH FOR COMBINED CORPS

Duffield's Splendid Display

BLAKE AND YONG UNSUPPORTED

The Combined Corps registered their second victory over the week-end, fully meriting their win over the University at Caroline Hill yesterday by 3 goals to 1.

From a 11-0 win one day to a 3-1 defeat the next was the 'Varsity's hard lot, but their uninspiring tactics against the robust and sound methods of the Corps, coupled with a gusty wind which played queer tricks with the ball, left them well beaten.

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ENGINEERS' THIRD DIVISION WIN

Rifles Trounced At Sookunpoo

In their Third Division soccer game at Sookunpoo yesterday, the Royal Engineers easily accounted for the Rifles by 5 goals to 1 in a spirited game.

The Sappers were far superior in the first half in almost every department, their forwards, in particular, being far more aggressive.

Tibbs played exceedingly well, while the halves, Cleave, Strike and Jordan, were equal to the Rifles' attack, led by Bulpin. McDowell and Rice allowed several good scoring chances to go abegging through over excitement.

Taylor opened the scoring for the Sappers and Beale added a second goal shortly before the interval. On the resumption, the Rifles improved and Wilson reduced the lead from a penalty kick.

Beale again scored for the Engineers from a centre by Tibbs and Parker obtained the fourth goal. The last goal of the match was scored by Tibbs.

ENGINEERS' 2ND DIVISION SOCCER WIN

PROVE TOO GOOD FOR EASTERN

HURST'S BRILLIANT DISPLAY

At Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon, the Royal Engineers, proved more than a match for Eastern in their Second Division League soccer game which they won by 5 goals to 1, after a comfortable lead at the interval by four clear goals. Eastern, however, were without Omar and Sabhan.

The football served up by the Sappers was good to watch, and it would be difficult to find fault with the play of any individual, their perfect understanding and team work being a feature of the match.

Hurst played brilliantly, and Wilford, on his right, was practically unpassable, while Howlett partnered Darby with his usual inspiring forward play.

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THIRD DIVISION GAME POSTPONED

Owing to the non-appearance of the official referee, the Third Division football fixture between the European Police and the Railway, to be played off on the Kowloon Football Club ground yesterday, was postponed.

FOUR WINS IN NINE YEARS

The Dunbar stable has had four Derby winners in the last nine years.

Rapier's Selections

Race No. 9.—
RIBBLE.
BRIGHT VIEW.
HETMAN.
Race No. 10.—
LIBERTY BAY.
HEROD.
KING'S JUBILEE.
Race No. 11.—
KING'S LEAD.
THUNDER BAY.
LAUGHING BUDDHA.
Race No. 12.—
YO HO.
ZODIAC.
VIOLET QUEEN.
DAILY DOUBLE.—
Mountain View and Royal Scot.

FIVE DERBY WINS!

Pond recorded the "hat trick" when he rode the Derby winners of 1884, 1885 and 1886, while Burkill won in 1909, 1910, 1911 and 1912 and again in 1916!

INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL FOR TO-DAY

Interport Team Almost Known

CARTHWAITE AND OLIVEIRA NEW INCLUSIONS

Providing the weather keeps fine, some very good hockey should be witnessed on the Club ground this afternoon when Probables meet Possibles in the Interport hockey trial in preparation for the visit of the Macau Hockey Club on March 7 and 8.

Although a new trial was called for, due to the fact that several players are available now who were not available during the previous trials, the composition of the Interport eleven or 15 players is almost known, comprising Possibles' attack, Probables' intermediate line, Guest and Kishen Singh as the two backs, and either U. B. Souza or Lt. Comdr. Garwood for the position between the sticks.

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Saturday's Races

1.—11.30 A.M.— THE FOOCHOW CUP.—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started at least three times at Race Meetings of this Club previous to this Meeting and have never won a race at such Meetings and Griffins of this Meeting allowed 7 lb. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting allowed 12 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance $10. One and a Half Miles.

L. Dunbar's Liberty Bay 161 lb. .....(Mr. L. G. Frost) 1
Harbrad's King's Jubilee 161 lb. ..(Mr. G. A. Harriman) 2
Hem's Macaroni 161 lb. .....(Mr. V. V. Needa) 3

5 starters:
Won by 6 lengths, 4 lengths.
Time: 3.14.2.
Pari-mutuel, winner $28.40; places, 1st $7.10; 2nd $5.30.

2.—12.00 NOON.—THE WONG-NEI-CHONG STAKES.—(First Section).—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance $10. Half a Mile.

Eu Tong Sen's Rose Evelyn 158 lb. .....(Mr. C. Encarnacao) 1
G. Tinson's Heriot 161 lb. ...(Mr. B. A. Proulx) 2
Lan's Mountain View 155 lb. .....(Mr. T. L. Wong) 3

Won by ½ length, ½ length.
Time: 1.01.3.
Pari-mutuel, winner $12.10; places, 1st $5.90; 2nd $7.70; 3rd $6.00.

3.—12.30 P.M. — THE MAIDEN STAKES.—Winner $1,000. Second $300. Third $200. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $10. Six Furlongs.

Mrs. Dunbar's Bear Claw 161 lb. .....(Mr. L. G. Frost) 1
Limburg's Laughing Girl 158 lb. .....(Mr. N. Deitz) 2
Harbrad's Royal Consort 158 lb. ..(Mr. G. A. Harriman) 3

10 starters:
Won by short head, 2 lengths.
Time: 1.32.4.
Pari-mutuel, winner $8.60; places, 1st $6.30; 2nd $10.80; 3rd $8.70.

4.—1.10 P.M.—THE SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES.—(First Section).—Winner $750. Second $250. Third $150. For Australian Ponies, Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $10. Six Furlongs.

Eve's Holiday Eve 155 lb. .....(Mr. V. V. Needa) 1
K. W. Fung's Zodiac 155 lb. .....(Mr. H. C. Pih) 2
Chiu Cheong Fan's Violet Queen 152 lb. .....(Mr. Y. T. Fung) 3

Won by 2 lengths, half length.
Time: 1.23.1.
Pari-mutuel, winner $13.80; places, 1st $7.10; 2nd $7.40; 3rd $20.40.

5.—1.30 P.M.—THE CHINA STAKES.—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance $10. Five Furlongs.

Li Shiu Pang's Soldier of Britain 161 lb. .....(Mr. D. S. Li) 1
Hem's Gladiator 158 lb. .....(Mr. V. V. Needa) 2
Dynasty's King's Fancy 161 lb. .....(Mr. F. Marshall) 3

Won by 2 lengths, 3 lengths.
Time: 1.13.3.
Pari-mutuel, winner $9.20; places, 1st $6.00; 2nd $5.90; 3rd $11.60.

6.—3.00 P.M.— THE WONG-NEI-CHONG STAKES.—(Second Section).—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance $10. Half a Mile.

Kwok Hin Wang's The Hero 158 lb. .....(Mr. L. G. Frost) 1
Lan's Ocean View 154 lb. ...(Mr. T. L. Wong) 2
Broadway's Hawthorn 158 lb. .....(Mr. V. V. Needa) 3

Won by 1½ lengths, half length.
Time: 1.08.3.
Pari-mutuel, winner $9.80; places, 1st $6.00; 2nd $6.60; 3rd $9.60.

7.—3.30 P.M.—THE SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES.— (Second Section).—Winner $750. Second $250. Third $150. For Australian Ponies, Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $10. Six Furlongs.

J. F. Macgregor's Strathroy 152 lb. .....(Mr. D. Black) 1
Quartermaster's Yo Ho 152 lb. .....(Mr. F. Marshall) 2
Li Po Chun's A Grand Time 149 lb. .....(Mr. J. Pote-Hunt) 3

Won by 4 lengths, 3 lengths.
Time: 1.22.2.
Pari-mutuel, winner $13.60; places, 1st $5.70; 2nd $5.70; 3rd $5.70.

8.—4.00 P.M.—THE TRIAL PLATE.—Winner $1,000. Second $300. Third $200. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $10. One and a Quarter Miles.

Eve's Honeymoon Eve 161 lb. .....(Mr. V. V. Needa) 1
Dynasty's King's Lead (late Guiding Star) 161 lb. .....(Mr. F. Marshall) 2
Why's Silversmith 155 lb. ...(Mr. H. C. Pih) 3

Won by a head, 2 lengths.
Time: 2.44.2.
Pari-mutuel, winner $6.70; places, 1st $5.70; 2nd $7.70; 3rd $8.70.

9.—4.30 P.M. — THE VALLEY STAKES.—Winner $1,000. Second $300. Third $200. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $10. Six Furlongs.

Ling's Wild Cat 155 lb. .....(Mr. T. L. Wong) 1
Tester & Abraham's The Gorilla 158 lb. .....(Mr. L. G. Frost) 2
Sevens's Hopscotch 158 lb. ...(Mr. F. Marshall) 3

Won by 3 lengths, 3 lengths.
Time: 1.37.3.
Pari-mutuel, winner $82.50; places, 1st $8.20; 2nd $5.80; 3rd $9.00.

10.—5.00 P.M.—THE OLD COURSE PLATE.—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies that have started in at least five Extra Meetings of this Club during 1936, and have not won more than $3,000 in stakes during 1935. Weight 149 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every $200 or part thereof won in stakes since 1st January, 1935. Jockey Allowance. Entrance $10. One and a Quarter Miles.

Lan's Cossack's Beauty 161 lb. .....(Mr. T. L. Wong) 1
V. M. Grayburn's Ribble 164 lb. .....(Mr. L. G. Frost) 2
Fai's Mayflower 151 lb. .....(Mr. Tang Man Wa) 3

Won by 2 lengths, 2 lengths.
Time: 2.44.1.
Pari-mutuel, winner $7.50; places, 1st $5.60; 2nd $7.90; 3rd $41.70.

11.—5.30 P.M. — THE KENDRICK STAKES.—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For Australian Ponies that have started in at least five Extra Meetings of this Club during 1935, and have not won more than $3,000 in stakes during 1935. Weight 149 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every $200 or part thereof won in stakes since 1st January, 1935. Jockey Allowance. Entrance $10. One and a Quarter Miles.

Mrs. E. H. M. Tinson's Vixen Tor 158 lb. .....(Mr. B. A. Proulx) 1
Pan's Saucy Face 155 lb. .....(Mr. H. C. Pih) 2
L. Reidy's Racing Heart 159 lb. .....(Mr. V. V. Needa) 3

Won by 3 lengths, 2½ lengths.
Time: 1.53.2.
Pari-mutuel, winner $17.90; places, 1st $7.20; 2nd $15.10; 3rd $8.30.

12.—6.00 P.M.—THE NEW STAKES PLATE.—Winner $800. Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins of this Meeting allowed 7 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance $10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

Dynasty's King's Warden 161 lb. .....(Mr. F. Marshall) 1
Hem's Herod 161 lb. .....(Mr. V. V. Needa) 2
Lan's Bright View 161 lb. .....(Mr. T. L. Wong) 3

Won by a head, 3 lengths.
Time: 2.22.2.
Pari-mutuel, winner $8.50; places, 1st $5.10; 2nd $5.10; 3rd $5.10.

Other sports will be found on page 8.

Derby Results 1926-1935

The following are the Derby results for the last 10 seasons:

1926.—Sir Paul Chater's Glorious Dahlia (Mr. McBain); 2 Pretty Polly (Mr. Sokoloff); 3 Lady Love (Mr. Haimovitch). Time 3 mins. 12 secs.

1927.—Mr. Dunbar's Elliot Bay (Mr. Dallas); 2 Canadian (Mr. Sokoloff); 3 Mr. Eve's Misty Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt). Time 3 mins. 15 1-5 secs.

1928.—Mr. E. L. Dunbar's Sitting Bull (Mr. Maitland); 2 Young Pretender (Mr. Haimovitch); 3 New Year's Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt). Time 3 mins. 11 secs.

1929.—Mr. Ho Kom-tong's President Hall (Mr. Encarnacao); 2 Adam (Mr. Heard); 3 Royal Flush (Mr. Haimovitch). Time 3 mins. 11 1-5 secs.

1930.—Mr. L. Dunbar's Diana Bay (Mr. Hill); 2 Wisdom Star (Mr. Quincey); 3 Peppermint (Mr. Noodt). Time 3 mins. 7 secs.

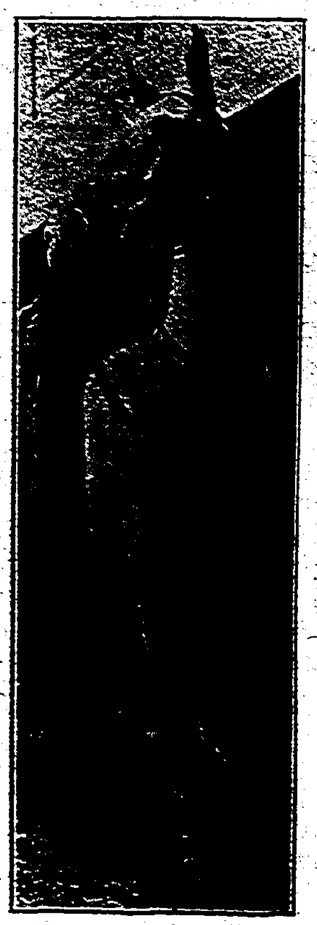
1931.—Mr. Dynasty's King's Service (Mr. Chung); 2 Spey (Mr. Clark); 3 Gold Key (Mr. Tung). Time 3 mins. 9 4-5 secs.

1932.—Mr. L. Dunbar's Liberty Bay (Mr. Hill); 2 Wild Life (Mr. Tung); 3 Princess Hall (Mr. Dallas). Time 3 mins. 4 4-10 secs.

1933.—Mrs. Pearce's Trentbridge (Mr. Needa); 2 Jack (Mr. Hill); 3 Charming Star (Mr. Ho). Time 3 mins. 6 2-5 secs.

1934.—Plane's Hydroplane (Mr. Proulx); 2 Bright View (Mr. T. L. Wong); 3 New Star (Mr. D. S. Li). Time 3 mins. 16 2-5 secs.

1935.—Mr. Hem's Herod (Mr. Davies); 2 Rose Queen (Mr. Needa); 3 King's Jubilee (late Baron Bay) (Mr. Marshall). Time 3 mins. 9 2-5 secs.



Royal Scot, the Derby favourite, owned by Messrs. G. A. Harriman and R. W. Bradbury. ("China Mail" photo).

CLUB DEFEAT BANK IN ANNUAL RUGBY CLASH

BIDWELL DROPS TWO GOALS

SCRAPPY ENCOUNTER

(By "REFEREE")

The Club recorded their second successive win over the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in their annual Rugby encounter on the Club ground yesterday, when they won by two dropped goals, three tries and a penalty goal (20 points) to a try and a penalty goal (6 points). Last season the Club won by a goal and three tries (14 points) to nil.

Play was very scrappy and there were very few combined movements, although individually there were many cases of brilliance.

The Club forwards and backs showed unexpectedly good form, but Bidwell, at fly-half in support of Bonnar, supplied the main features of the game with two excellent dropped goals.

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REGAL ZONOPHONE RECORDS

MR 1940.—Merrie England ..... *Dixon Organ.*
MR 1926.—One Night In China Town ..... *Billy Cotton.*
On Treasure Island
MR 1923.—That Silver Haired Daddy ..... *Hill Billies.*
The Dying Cowboy.
MR 1927.—Its My Mother's Birthday Magic .. *Moonlight Revellers.*
MR 1929.—I'm Living In A Great Big Way ..... *Six Swingers.*
MR 1945.— Rail Road Rhythm ..... *Four Crotchets.*
Nagasaki.
MR 1934.—Take Me Back Tony Boots and Saddle .....
Covered Wagon Days. *Accordion Band.*
MR 1924.—On Treasure Island ..... *Val Rosing.*
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INDIANS STEP NEARER CHAMPIONSHIP

VERDICTS

Club's Second Senior Shield Failure

ARTILLERY TEAMS IMPROVE

The Club again disappointed on Saturday when they went down for the second year in succession to the Police by an only goal in the Semi-Final Round of the Senior Shield, but they had only themselves to blame as a number of chances were thrown away.

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There are several positions in the Club team which need new talent. Wilson, a newcomer who gave a brilliant display for the juniors on Saturday, and Pearce should be included in the first eleven.

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Very Poor Champions!

A very disappointing game was seen in the other Semi-Final tie between the League champions and the Shield holders, and as it turned out the former won by a convincing margin.

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Their Canton Players

South China "A" have been hard hit by the inability of their Canton players to make the trip and also due to the fact that Lee Waitong, their brilliant leader, has not quite recovered from his recent bout of influenza.

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And Now Stonecutters

Surprises come when one least expects them and Stonecutters fairly staggered their supporters

on Saturday when they held the Athletic to a draw, sharing four goals at Caroline Hill.

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There is no doubt that the Royal Artillery teams are showing a great improvement, Lyemun's recent victory over Kowloon providing ample proof of this. Stonecutters, however, have been a long time in getting out of the rut into which they fell at the beginning of the season.

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Object To Look Forward To

There is much room for improvement among the Stonecutter forwards. At the moment they represent five individual players, and until such time as they show combination they can never be expected to secure victory over any of the better teams.

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What Is Wrong

Smith was by no means an inspiring leader on Saturday, although he has a fine turn of speed at his disposal, while Coyle, although alive to many good openings made by his halves, either finished poorly or fell a victim to Wong Wing-hong.

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Rare Athletic Fault

Gardiner gave a sound display in the pivot position and did much to stave off many dangerous movements by An Ping-ming, the

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COLONY BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Quarter-Final Stages This Week

PROGRAMME OF GAMES

By the end of this week the Colony Open Senior and Junior Billiards Championships will have reached the most interesting stages, the semi-final round matches, where probably the best billiards in the competitions will be seen.

A. J. Osmund, the present holder of the Colony Billiards Championship,—will be seen in action on Friday next, when he opposes Yan Charm-pong at the Kowloon Cricket Club.

The following are the results of last week's games in the open Senior Billiards championships:—

Senior: M. M. da Silva beat F. A. Gill 500—470.

Junior: Simon Chan beat Lum Yu Won by 300—263; E. Zimmern beat Sgt. J. Hodges by 300—168; E. A. V. Remedios best F. G. Marsh by 300—250; Leung Sin Nin beat Yuen Hong Liu by 300—193; F. E. Silva beat Ma Cheung Man by 300—195; C. A. Cunha beat Leung Siu Nin by 300—229; Tam Hun Bun beat J. C. Remedios by 300—234; A. Kitchell beat Cheng Kwai Leung by 300—215; E. A. V. Remedios beat J. E. Noronha by 300—185; Mui Chan Jed beat E. Zimmern by 300—262.

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POLICE WELL BEATEN IN NEEDLE GAME

ISMAIL AND RAZACK SAVE HOME TEAM

SOOKUNPOO FIELDERS MUST SHOW IMPROVEMENT

(By L.B.W.)

As the result of their win over the Police Recreation Club at Sookunpoo on Saturday, the Indian Recreation Club are now practically assured of the second division cricket championship, but, though they fully deserved the points on Saturday, it was a very close thing for them, for had the Police taken all the opportunities that went their way a different tale might have been told.

A. K. Ismail won the toss, and on a rain-sodden wicket very wisely decided to bat, as the wicket looked as though it would wear very badly after the first innings. And so it proved, but not until the Indians had been given a rare fright!

They lost their first five wickets for a paltry 42 runs, but their last three men, M. I. Razack, M. R. Abbas and T. Ali, all batted gallantly and the side finally totalled 131 runs. The first named may quite justifiably look back upon the match as a personal triumph, for it was mainly due to him that the I.R.C. won.

The fielding of the Police team was absolutely above reproach, but they made one error—the error which cost them the match. With the total at 96, Oakley dropped M. I. Razack, and this player went on to celebrate his good fortune by bringing off some really crisp drives to take the score to 131.

I was very surprised that the I.R.C. skipper agreed to play the fixture, for the wicket was in no fit condition and the pitch itself was so badly saturated that not only the bowlers, but also the batsmen found it difficult to obtain a good foothold. For that reason, the rate of scoring was rather on the slow side until Razack started hitting out.

Pope's Fine Performance

The Police bowlers did not impress, with the exception of C. Pope, a fastish bowler who, curiously enough, found the rain-soaked wicket thoroughly to his liking. He was the only Police bowler who secured any help from it, and his 6-wickets for 30 runs represented a very fine performance.

Baker, like two or three other members of the team, made the fatal mistake of playing in rubber shoes. Despite this, however, he took three wickets for 3 runs apiece.

As the Police had to win the match to take the leading position in the league table (the Indians could afford a draw), it was very surprising that they adopted stonewalling tactics right from the very beginning of their

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LEAGUE CRICKET AVERAGES

BATTING
(qualification, average of 25)

FIRST DIVISION

	Inns.	Runs	H.S.	N.O.	Avge.
R. D. Gillespie (Club)	3	183	86*	1	91.50
E. L. Gosano ("Varsity)	3	183	91	1	91.50
Lt. M. K. Branwell (Navy)	4	155	63*	2	77.50
T. A. Pearce (Club)	5	205	107*	2	68.33
H. Owen Hughes (Club)	3	107	100*	1	53.50
J. E. Richardson (C.S.C.C.)	4	210	101	0	52.50
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.)	6	219	89	1	43.80
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	5	175	53	1	43.75
E. F. Fincher (K.C.C.)	5	128	43*	2	42.00
E. R. Ducklitt (Club)	4	73	51*	2	36.50
A. S. Suffiad (I.R.C.)	6	190	60	0	31.66
N. A. E. Mackay (K.C.C.)	5	120	46*	1	30.00
F. R. Zimmern (C.C.C.)	3	84	38	0	28.00
W. H. Colledge (C.S.C.C.)	4	112	55	0	28.00
Lt. J. P. Williams (Army)	4	75	38*	1	25.00

SECOND DIVISION

J. S. A. Curreem (I.R.C.)	4	129	64*	2	64.50
I. S. Forbes (Club)	3	103	85*	1	51.50
F. M. el Arculli (I.R.C.)	3	96	77*	1	48.00
C. W. Lam (C.C.C.)	7	192	56*	2	38.40
G. Lee (K.C.C.)	7	266	80	0	38.00
Tel. Tufnell (Navy)	2	56	30	0	28.00
Pte. Wiley (R.A.S.C.)	3	82	60	0	27.33
Mainwaring (Navy)	3	79	54	0	26.33
M. I. Razack (I.R.C.)	3	70	55*	1	35.00

BOWLING
(qualification, 15 and under)

FIRST DIVISION

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avge.
F. D. Pereira (I.R.C.)	92.1	32	214	24	8.11
Tel. Tufnell (Navy)	27	10	63	7	9.00
T. A. Pearce (Club)	50.1	12	163	17	9.58
T. M. I. Redmond (Club)	19	4	58	6	9.66
E. L. Gosano (University)	24	4	82	8	10.25
F. Goodwin (K.C.C.)	82	26	217	21	10.33
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	98.1	23	292	26	11.23
Lt. C. C. Garthwaite (Army)	28	6	91	8	11.37

SECOND DIVISION

E. Souza (C.C.C.)	8	1	25	5	5.00
G. Lee (K.C.C.)	19.1	3	59	10	5.90
A. Baker (I.R.C.)	48.2	10	134	22	6.09
G. Abraham (University)	13	2	51	8	6.37
L/Cpl. Shipp (R.E.)	89.5	16	151	23	6.65
Capt. Kimm (R.A.S.C.)	4	0	21	3	7.00
S./Sergt. Moreton (R.E.)	35.2	7	102	14	7.28
R. G. Baker (Police)	82.1	17	214	29	7.38
Snooes (R.A.M.C.)	25	3	75	10	7.50
A. M. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	65.2	12	170	22	7.73
W. A. Reed (Recreio)	40	8	124	16	7.74
A. B. Dale (Navy)	77.3	23	166	20	8.30
C. H. Teoh (University)	46	2	102	11	9.27
O. S. Dawe (Navy)	31	4	56	9	9.33
Cpl. Rogers (R.A.S.C.)	11	1	39	4	9.75
L. J. Silva (Recreio)	58	8	190	19	10.00
L. G. Gosano (Recreio)	16	4	30	3	10.00
A. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	26	8	86	8	10.75
V. Durling (K.C.C.)	50.5	16	164	15	10.93
G. A. Lee (C.C.C.)	12	1	44	4	11.00
C. W. Lam (C.C.C.)	73.1	19	210	19	11.05
C. Pope (Police)	33.2	10	78	7	11.14
Tel. Tufnell (Navy)	31.3	7	78	7	11.14
Apps (R.A.M.C.)	35.2	2	123	11	11.18
F. Zimmern (C.C.C.)	7	0	23	2	11.50
F. M. el Arculli (I.R.C.)	25	3	70	4	11.66
L/Cpl. Hopcraft (R.A.S.C.)	10	2	35	3	11.66
A. K. Ismail (I.R.C.)	25.5	5	82	7	11.71
G. T. Lee (C.C.C.)	51.5	12	131	11	11.91
R. G. Robertson (C.S.C.C.)	31.2	1	131	11	11.91
Cpl. Hoddinot (R.E.)	74	16	195	16	12.18
W. L. McKenzie (K.C.C.)	38	3	159	13	12.21
L/Cpl. Waterbridge (R.E.)	24	2	114	9	12.66
E. R. A. Cripps (Navy)	54.3	12	178	14	12.71
T. R. Hunter (Police)	45	3	206	15	12.81
A. E. Carey (Police)	22.5	4	78	6	13.00
M. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	63	16	149	11	13.54
Sergt. Eaton (R.E.)	12.1	2	57	4	14.25
N. E. Whittle (C.S.C.C.)	23.4	1	100	7	14.27
Apps (R.A.M.C.)	24	1	101	7	14.44
F. L. Ling (C.S.C.C.)	36	5	145	10	14.50

UNIVERSITY WIN EASILY

Carvalho Bowls Well For Recreio

LOW SCORING MATCH

Despite a "hat-trick" by F. H. Carvalho, who took 4 wickets for 7 runs, Recreio were beaten by the University by 3 wickets in a low scoring junior league cricket match at King's Park yesterday.

Club de Recreio

F. H. Carvalho, c Liew, b Ng	7
H. A. Alves, c Liew, b Ng	1
L. G. Gosano, b Ng	8
A. M. Prata, c Izatt, b Ng	0
J. W. Barnes, L.B.W., b Teoh	0
A. J. Prata, run out	5
C. A. R. Alves, b Teoh	0
C. N. Xavier, c Cheng, b Liew	6
B. Gosano, c Liew, b Ng	11
A. F. Noronha, b Ng	2
L. J. Silva, not out	6
Extras	4
Total	51

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Teoh	11	2	18	2
Ng	10.4	6	12	6
Liew	2	0	9	1
Fong	2	0	7	0

University

Y. S. Wong, b Silva	1
M. C. Hong, c A. J. Prata, b Silva	28
K. L. Ng, b A. Prata	4
J. Fong, not out	12
S. R. Izatt, b Carvalho	7
C. H. Teoh, c H. A. Alves, b Carvalho	2
K. S. Liew, b Carvalho	0
J. S. Cheng, c and b Carvalho	0
W. P. Chin, not out	1
Extras	0
Total for 7 wkts.	55

L. H. Tan and K. C. Hung did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Noronha	4	2	8	0
Silva	9	3	20	2
L. G. Gosano	2	0	13	0
A. M. Prata	8	4	10	1
Carvalho	5	1	7	4

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Spiritual Freedom In The State Church

Discussions of the relations between Church and State are almost as old as Christendom. Since the rejection of the Revised Prayer Book in 1927 and 1928 the question of reconciling the claims of the Church to spiritual independence with its established position has been agitating the minds of all responsible churchmen. For six years it has been under consideration by the Commission appointed by the two Archbishops in 1930. Their report issued last month is a document of outstanding importance in the wide and bold view it takes of thorny questions, and in its insistence on self-government for the Church. The bestowal of legislative powers on the Church Assembly seemed for a time to have provided an admiral solution of a major difficulty, but the rejection by the House of Commons of two successive measures for revision of the Prayer Book proclaimed that the Church was far from free to decide matters of doctrine and ritual for itself and on the basis of membership of the Church. As long ago as 1906 a Royal Commission had found that the law of public worship was too narrow for present needs, and the proposed revision was the direct outcome of the Commission's recommendations. The action of the House of Commons precipitated anew the whole question of Church and State. Archbishop Davidson's solemn declaration, on the morrow of defeat of the Church's "inalienable right" to formulate its faith and arrange the expression of its worship, had the ring of a challenge.

There were not wanting voices to affirm that the only way out was disestablishment, and most eloquent of those voices was that of the Bishop of Durham. The Commissioners, of whom Viscount Cecil was the chairman, frankly acknowledge that the case for disestablishment is strong, but there will be few to gainsay their warning that the separation of Church and State in England, whose history has so closely intertwined them, could not be effected without injury to both. The extent of that injury could neither be foreseen nor forestalled. These are certainly not days in which men of good will would lightly contemplate England seeming, by disestablishment of the Church, to become neutral in the fight between faith and unfaith in Christianity. The Commissioners state unequivocally that such an occurrence "would be a calamity for our own people and, indeed, for the whole world." None the less they see in the subordination of the spiritual society to the secular power a worse evil. Like Dr. Johnson, they would, at least metaphorically, "stand before a battery of cannon" for the principle of the Church's right to self-government in purely spiritual matters.

The solution which the Commissioners propound is ingenious. They propose that Parliament should be asked to grant new powers, by which entirely spiritual measures of the Church Assembly, certified as such by the two Archbishops, the Lord Chancellor and Mr. Speaker, may be presented to His Majesty for the Royal Assent without going to Parliament. A requisite condition would be that such measures should be approved by both Convocations and twice approved by not fewer than three-fourths of the Diocesan Conferences — once before revision of the measures by the three Houses of the Church Assembly and once afterwards. There are also to be guarantees that there is no departure from fundamental doctrines and principles as set forth in the Church's existing formularies. There is wisdom in the primary recommendation of the Commission that before anything else is done agreement among the various parties in the Church should be sought on the internal differences which contributed more than anything else to the shipwreck of the attempts at Prayer Book revision. Agreement will, we fear, be hampered by some who still cling to an Erastian philosophy which forces the Church into an intolerable position. But given genuine and substantial unity the Church ought to be able to go with confidence to Parliament for a degree of freedom which has long been the possession of the Established Church of Scotland and must be held by a Church which is to fulfil its mission to the nation.

Here, There and Everywhere.

CINEMA ROYAL BOXES

At the Leicester Square Theatre the problem of a Royal box for the Queen was successfully solved. A special one was built for the occasion at the back of the circle.

In this the management was following Continental stage practice. Royal boxes in the theatres of European capitals with monarchical traditions—if not monarchs—are usually in the centre of the house.

As a convert to the films the Leicester Square Theatre has side boxes. But their usefulness has now departed.

In certain larger film theatres there are what are known as Royal seats in the front row of the circle. These, however, are intended only for members of the Royal family other than the King and Queen.

If the Queen now becomes as interested in the films as she is in the theatre there will be no difficulty in following the precedent set at "The Ghost Goes West."

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IMPERIAL CRICKET POLITICS

Before the Nawab of Pataudi, who is to captain the All-India cricket team this summer, can play in any of the Test matches he will have to obtain the consent of the British Board of Control.

A cricketer is always eligible to play for the country of his birth. But it is laid down in the Imperial Cricket Conference rules that

> Any player who has once played in a Test match for any country shall not afterwards be eligible to play in a Test match against that country without the consent of its board of control.

The Nawab, of course, represented England in Australia in 1932-33, and again at home in 1934.

In this case the permission of the board will be a welcome formality. The Nawab's batting should go far to provide the stability previous Indian teams have lacked.

Your Daily Smile!

The Reason

Highbrow (half-heartedly congratulating her friend who has become engaged): "All the same, I don't know what you can see in him. He doesn't like Tolstoy, or Ibsen, or Pirandello. What does he like?"

Fiancee: "He likes me."

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Misunderstanding

"What happened to your nice lodger, Mrs. Murphy?"

"Oh, I had to get rid of him. He told me he was a Bachelor of Arts from Cambridge, and I found out he had a wife and family in Nottingham."

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DISCOVERED

"Did your friend, Miss Smith, get her good looks from her father or her mother?"

"From her uncle; he keeps a drug store."

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Weary Willie — "What becomes of all the fleas in the winter?"

Dusty Rhoades — "You kin search me."

CORRESPONDENCE

No Answer To Be Given

[To The Editor "China Mail"]

Sir,—Many people have asked me if I proposed to reply to the letters which appeared in the press in criticism of that which I sent to your paper a week ago on the subject of birth control propaganda. Since all these letters were anonymous I do not intend to answer them. As for the actual arguments put forward by the propagandists, I shall deal with them in the next issue of the "Rock."

THOS. F. RYAN, S. J.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

There will be no meeting of the Rotary Club to-morrow, on account of the Annual Race Meeting.

The m.v. Javanese Prince, from New York, sailed from Los Angeles on January 27 and is expected here on or about March 1.

The R.M.S. Empress of Britain, on her round-the-world cruise, leaves Colombo on Wednesday. After touching at Penang, she is due in Hong Kong on the morning of March 20.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan is due at Hong Kong from Yokohama on Friday morning, and will sail the same afternoon for Manila.

The two R.A.F. flying boats, which had been delayed here by fog for several days, were enabled, owing to the improved weather, to leave yesterday for Amoy shortly after 10 a.m. At Amoy they rejoin the third boat, which had gone there direct from Manila on Wednesday. From Shanghai they continue on their goodwill flight to Japan.

ESCAPE FROM FUMES

A family of eight escaped by an outside ledge from their flat in Cambridge-road, Kilburn, when it was filled with ammonia fumes.

OFFICE EXPLOSION

A can of petrol exploded in an office basement as Essex-street, Strand, recently and a plumber who tried to extinguish the flames was partially overcome by fumes.

THE WONDERLAND OF THE ZOO

NOW TRULY A NATIONAL INSTITUTION

MANY IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED WHEN FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE

(By Dr. Julian Huxley)

THE London Zoo is now a little more than 100 years old. In that time it has much enlarged the area of its home in Regent's Park, it has constantly increased its collection of animals, it has introduced new methods of keeping and showing them, it has built an aquarium, and it has broken quite fresh ground by establishing a new *kind* of zoo at Whipsnade.

It has grown, until now the visitors to Regent's Park annually number about 2,000,000, and those to Whipsnade 500,000. It publishes two important scientific journals, and carries out a considerable amount of scientific work.

What of the future of that which is now a truly nationalinstitution? How is the London Zoo going to develop?

No Prophecy

Here I cannot pretend to prophesy. The guidance of policy is in the competent hands of a council elected from among the Fellows, and the secretary must not, even if he wished, usurp their functions. I can, however, indicate what seems to me the natural trend of events, the direction in which the Zoo is already moving.

In the first place, everyone is agreed that, where possible, bars should go and animals exhibited across a ditch or hahas, as on the Mappin Terraces.

The great obstacle to this is expense: an animal-proof ditch costs many times the amount necessary to build a fence or cage. But we shall push ahead sadily.

Then everyone is fully agreed that Whipsnade should be fully developed as quickly as possible.

Infinite Possibilities

Animals are at present exhibited on only about half the area. The opportunities are almost infinite—big open-air enclosures for apes or baboons; lakes and streams; huge flying cages; more paddocks for more kinds of animals—elk, roedeer, camels, buffalo, Barbary sheep.

Once more the limiting factor is expense. One or two improvements can be effected each season. But in a few years Whipsnade ought to be deservedly the most popular spot for an outing near London.

Equally necessary is the need for the modernisation of the gardens in Regent's Park. Many of the houses are 50, 70, even 100 years old; all such are unsuitably constructed according to modern ideas both as regards the health of their inmates and their adequate exhibition.

Their Last Legs

In any case, some of them are on their last legs. Elephant house, giraffe house, parrot house, lion house, antelope house, cattle house — we all acknowledge that these and a number of others ought to be pulled down and rebuilt as soon as funds permit.

In the rebuilding, I think the principle is likely to be adopted that the aim in a town zoo with limited space should not be the attempt to give an illusion of nature—that can be left to Whipsnade—but the provision of surroundings designed to set the animals off to the best advantage, as a stage setting is planned.

A notable success in this direction has been the penguin pool, which frankly repudiates any idea of imitating the birds' normal home, but yet enhances their inherent amusing quality.

Better Lay-Out

Another urgent need is a better lay-out. In the past the Zoo has, on the whole, "just growed" like Topsy. It could gradually achieve a fine plan, with noble vistas and handsome buildings properly spaced.

One point that it always crops up is the question of Sunday opening.

Why should not the Zoo be open to the general public on the one day in the week when they could best take advantage of it?

There are two very good answers.

One is that the Zoo belongs to the Fellows, and Sunday is their chief privilege. The other is simply space. If the Zoo were

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley

GENERAL AMNESTY IN SPAIN

DISMISSED OFFICIALS REINSTATED

ADMINISTRATION UNDERGOES TRANSFORMATION

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Madrid, To-day.

The whole of the Civil Service administration of Spain is undergoing a complete transformation as the immediate outcome of the result of last Sunday's elections. The general amnesty decreed on Friday applies to all sentences passed since the outbreak of the October revolution and the passing of the amnesty decree by the Permanent Parliamentary Committee.

Members of the former Catalonian Government who had been condemned to penal servitude for life because of their part in the revolution, have been released and have arrived in Cordoba. Catalonian Left-wingers here were congratulated and welcomed by the Civil Governor and by representatives of the Labour organisations. The waiting crowds gave an enthusiastic demonstration of welcome.

Don Luis Companys, who in Barcelona is regarded as the prime mover of the separatist insurrection of October, 1934, addressed the people from the balcony of his hotel, and it was noticed that he gave the communist salute.

Meanwhile all those workers and officials that had been dismissed on account of participation in the insurrection were reinstated in all municipal and Government posts.

CHANGES CARRIED OUT

With the tramways, undergrounds and omnibuses these changes are already carried out and even the newspaper stalls are being restored to their former proprietors.

The Home Minister declared that many difficulties arise in the attempt to reconstitute the state of party political composition prevailing in April 1931 in the municipal administrations, because many of the deputies who were then Monarchists are now Social Democrats, while others have changed their political complexions in the opposite direction.

VIOLENT CROWDS

In the capital thousands of people, women and children had assembled outside the gaols. As the amnestied men passed out of the prison gates the crowds broke into a frenzy of cheering. Processions at once formed, the masses marching along singing revolutionary songs. This served the purpose of a safety valve for pent up feelings, so that nothing of a serious character resulted.

In the provinces, however, the release of the prisoners did not pass off so smoothly. In Oviedo the crowds waiting outside the prison gates grew so impatient that the administration felt obliged to release those sentenced for complicity in the October insurrection before they had received the official notification of the amnesty decree. Some 20,000 people waiting nervously became so menacing that at last the gaol directors ordered the political prisoners to be released.

Similar incidents were reported from a number of provincial towns where, moreover, Catholic and Nationalist meeting places were plundered and set on fire. Monasteries and churches were also robbed, one cloister in Malaga and another in Alicante being burnt down.

As a result of the amnesty no fewer than 30,000 political prisoners were set free on Saturday.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Ross Alexander and Ruby Keeler are in the First National production, "Shipmates Forever," which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow.

CLUB DEFEAT BANK IN ANNUAL RUGBY CLASH

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Wilson In Form

Gallagher was in good fettle yesterday his tackling, being good, while Griffiths surpassed all expectations and scored a very good try, in addition to making several splendid openings. Wilson, playing opposite to McGilchrist, was more than a match for the tall Bank wing-threequarter and scored the best try of the day, handing off several players before grounding wide of the posts.

The Bank commenced with Robertson at full-back, but a change with Tudor later in the game had the desired effect and, with a considerably strengthened attack, the Bank settled down in the second half to enjoy as much of the play as their opponents.

Dunkley Shines

Dunkley was the Bank's outstanding threequarter although playing in an unusual position, his real place being at full-back. His tackling was deadly throughout and he was featured in several spectacular runs.

Butcher gave a much improved display, although he was again inclined to pass before drawing his man. McGugan, Chambers and Yoxall shone in the pack.

Bidwell opened the scoring in the first five minutes with a dropped goal and not long after Wilson tore through the Bank defence, handing off several players before scoring wide of the posts, but Frost failed to majorise the effort. The Club added their score when Frost kicked a penalty goal, and just before the interval Griffiths neatly took a pass from Bidwell to score wide of the posts with three men tagging along. Peers failing with the kick.

Bank Stage Revival

Following their positional change, the Bank opened their account when Robertson broke through to send McGilchrist over, the former failing to convert the effort. Soon after Robertson made amends by kicking an excellent penalty goal.

The Club then added to their tally through Bidwell, who dropped a second goal, and Gallagher, who scored wide of the posts, McElney missing with the kick.

Lieut. J. A. M. Rice-Evans refereed and the team were:—

Club:—P. C. Frost; D. Hynes, B. J. Gallagher, R. H. Griffiths and J. C. Wilson; H. D. Bidwell and J. L. Bonnar; R. Hynes, J. H. McElney and A. F. Walkden (Captain), W. E. Peers, S. H. Garrod, M. W. Scott, E. P. Humphreys and G. B. Gammell.

H.K. Bank:—L. G. Robertson; H. R. McGilchrist, H. L. Tudor, G. S. Dunkley and L. J. A. Feilden; A. H. R. Butcher, F. C. B. Black, G. B. Dunnett, G. S. Chambers, N. E. Clark, H. A. Greig, H. R. Browning, F. J. McGugan, W. T. Yoxall and B. D. G. Barlow.

POLICE WELL BEATEN IN NEEDLE GAME

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innings. Hunter stayed for an hour to score his 18, while W. L. Clark, essentially a hitter, found it somewhat strange playing a "steady innings."

Loughlin's Invaluable Knock

P. H. Loughlin played a sterling innings and was full value for his 38 runs. He was run out when attempting an extremely short run.

A. K. Ismail, the I.R.C. skipper, was in irresistible form with the ball on a wicket which suited him admirably, but he made the mistake of over-bowling A. M. Rumjahn. The Indians wanted a win and, though Rumjahn was keeping down the runs, he never looked like getting a wicket, though I admit that he was a trifle unlucky with a couple of catches behind the wickets.

The I.R.C. fielding was, frankly, appalling and if they are going to win their two remaining matches, they must definitely improve in this direction, for it is no use scoring any amount of runs only to give them away again in the field.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS DEFEATED

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Fung led the line in his own inimitable style, and with Tso and Tay on form, the attack looked good for several goals, but the shooting of all was poor, and there was at no time that easy and sweeping inter-passing which one is accustomed to seeing from the League champions.

St. Joseph's, on the other hand, swung the ball about more frequently, were well positioned for a return pass, and failed only in speed. South China's greatest asset.

Leonard was carefully watched and had but the one chance, but Fernandes, Hussain and Lee all had splendid openings and yet failed miserably with their attempts at goal.

Elms In Limelight

Elms and Sinclair were outstanding among the halves, the former having a difficult time against the elusive Tso, but he came out of almost every tackle with the ball at his feet, and fed his winger with a flow of accurate passes.

Sinclair, in the centre, found Fung a little too experienced and wily, but, nevertheless, performed yeoman service, especially during the closing stages.

Costa's headwork saved many a difficult situation, and the strong kicking and understanding developed by both Costa and Souza stood St. Joseph's in good stead during the tremendous pressure brought to bear by South China.

Saint's Early Lead

St. Joseph's obtained their goal within the first six minutes, Victor sending over a fairly high centre which Leonard met first-time with a rasping drive that shook the roof of the net.

The exchanges were fast, with St. Joseph's appearing a better-balanced side at this stage, although their defence adopted 'panicky' tactics whenever South China threatened.

There was no chance in the score at the interval.

South China drove home a series of desperate attacks, but their efforts met with scant success against a determined defence. Twice Fung had splendid shots blocked before they could reach the goal, and a drive by Wong Mee-shun went clean through a sea of legs, only to strike the base of the upright!

Desperate Efforts

Awarded two free-kicks on the verge of the penalty-area, Wong Mee-shun sent both over the bar, with St. Joseph's packing their goal with eight men on each occasion.

In the final stages, South China redoubled their efforts to draw level. A shot by Tso was turned round the post by Souza, and in the last minute Leung Wing-chui went 'all-out' in a burst for goal, but shot yards wide.

S. China "A":—Chu Sin-hang; Lee Tin-sang, Lau Mau; Leung Wing-chui, Wong Mee-shun, Lee Kwok-wai; Tso Kwai-ching, Tay Quee-liang, Fung King-cheong, Li Wing-on and Wong King-chung.

St. Joseph's:—W. Souza; Costa, Souza; Woo, Sinclair, Elms; Victor, Lee, Leonard, Hussain and Fernandes.

INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL FOR TO-DAY

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Only Change

The only difference these selections would make from the previous 15 selected Colony players would be the inclusion of Lt. Garthwaite in the attack, at inside-right, the dropping of Hassan at right-half for L. Oliveira, and the selection of Kishen Singh, at left-back, instead of Lt. Comdr. Broome. Souza will probably displace Garwood for the berth between the sticks.

However, everything depends upon this afternoon's display, the teams for which are:—

Probables (In Whites):—A. B. Owens (Navy) and U. R. Souza (Radio); A. E. P. Guest (Radio) and Khan Bahadur (Army); L. Oliveira (Argonautas), W. A. Reed (Club) and Alaf Din (Army); Lt. E. Robinson (Army), Sarnagat Singh (Radio), Awtar Singh (K.I.T.C.), D. Carey (Club) and Pte. Nolan (Army).

Possibles (In Colours):—Spr. Howlett (Army) and Lt. Comdr. Garwood (Navy); Lt. Comdr. J. E. Broome (Navy) and Kishen Singh (Army); Lt. J. P. Williams (Army), Spr. Brown (Army) and Lt. Davies (Navy); G. E. R. Divett (Club), Lt. C. C. Garthwaite (Army), Gurbachan Singh (Radio), Lt. Burch (Navy) and Lal Singh (Army).

Reserves:—J. E. Potter and Pte. Cox (Army) (Backs); Lt. Spencer (Navy) and A. Silva (Peereio) (Half-backs); Lt. Dawson (Army), Lt. Wraith (Navy), J. M. Pinto (K.I.T.C.) and S. A. Fowler (Club), (Forwards).

A practice match between the Colony and the Rest will be arranged for 10.30 a.m. on Sunday, March 1, on the Naval ground at King's Park.

'VARSITY PROVE NO MATCH FOR COMBINED CORPS

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Duffield supplied the "brains" of the Corps attack in no mean style. His clever control, swerve and accurate passing created many openings that were wasted by the over-eagerness of the other forwards. Ivey displayed speed on the left, but Muir remained much too far behind the line, leaving the Corps with really only four forwards, and at the same time hampering the positioning of the halves.

Sound Defence

Jennings and Worsfold worked energetically—their distribution was well-judged—and behind them McQueen and Forman constituted a sound defence.

Blake and Yong were the only University forwards to show enterprise. Their speed and bustling tactics often carried them well through the Corps' defence, but they were given but feeble support.

Under pressure continuously, Lupez and Ang performed wonders in the 'Varsity defence, kicking strongly and promptly, but the halves were slow to position and weak in tackling.

Duffield opened the scoring for the Corps, swerving his way past two opponents, kicking across to Beasley and taking the return pass in his stride to drive home an unstoppable shot. Shortly afterwards the same player was the means of placing the Corps further ahead, cleverly drawing the defence before giving Ivey a chance which the latter took with a high shot which curled in out of Lim's reach.

A bad blunder by the Corps' defence let in Yong, who walked the ball into the net before a recovery could be effected.

The second half was again in favour of the Corps, though the University made valiant attempts to place themselves on level terms, but all their efforts were frustrated by a resolute defence, and the Corps added their third and final goal through Duffield, who scored after his first shot had been blocked.

MARATHON RACE IN KOWLOON

Date Fixed For March 16

The fifteen annual Kowloon Marathon under the auspices of St. Andrew's Club and open to all Europeans in the Colony, and members of the Club, will be held on Monday, March 16, starting from St. Andrew's Church at 4.30 p.m.

The route, which is approximately 6¼ miles, will be the same as in previous years.

Further particulars may be had on application to the Hon. Secretary, St. Andrew's Club, c/o St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

To-day's Short Story

Art Claims The Artist

By Alex Barber

"POOR Vickridge, he'll never get over it."

That was the verdict of all who had known him and his wife. The form of words varied—that was all. Some said, "Poor devil," others "Poor old John," others, again, "Poor Mr. Vickridge," according to their several degrees of friendship or acquaintance with him. But, no matter how they said it, or who said it, there lay under the words a profound conviction.

The village of Nether Starey was full of it. Hushed voices and sighs and headshakes went with the mention, outdoors or in parlours prim or neglected, of "Mr. Vickridge's trouble."

Everyone liked Mr. Vickridge, though hardly any of the villagers read his stories, and the few who had made the experiment had only been puzzled. His stories were not like him. He was a tall man, slender but not frail, with twinkling grey eyes that seemed filled with dreamy good-nature.

He was a figure to attract attention, as he strode through the village, swinging his ash stick vigorously. He was so obviously an open-air sort of man, and that was the sort of man the Nether Starey folk, simple people for the most part, rooted for generations in the soil, felt that they understood.

Moreover, John Vickridge would always "stop and talk," and he talked intelligently of corn roots, of ploughing and harrowing and dunging, like a countryman. And although you could tell by his speech, and—as some said—by his features, that he was a gentleman, yet he always treated you as an equal, and you felt you could tell him anything, no matter how simple or ordinary, and be sure of a kindly and courteous hearing.

They had liked his wife, too. Speaking of the accident in low tones, they recalled her face and figure; a shy little woman, with an unassuming simple fragrance of character, like a wood anemone; very small, with tiny beautiful hands, and very blue eyes in a pale face. Her gifts were in many of the villagers' homes still, and other, intangible gifts of sympathy and kindness remained in the memories of more than one woman.

Whenever there had been a new baby in the village, Mary Vickridge had gone to see it and the mother as soon as possible, and seldom without a laden basket, though it was well known that the Vickridges were not well-to-do.

And over and above the separate goodness of John Vickridge and Mary Vickridge there had been the fact, unmistakable to any who saw them together, that they loved one another tenderly and deeply. This lent them, at any rate in the eyes of the womenfolk, a special beauty and merit, as though their love were not something fortunate that had chanced to happen to them but a reward for their separate characters, and so an added indication of those characters.

The accident came like a bomb on a calm night. Its work was done in a few seconds. There was at least that for poor Mr. Vickridge to take comfort in—she had known no pain. But it must have been terrible for him, seeing it all happen with his own eyes, there on the corner by the "Lamb" inn, where the buses swing in from Shepsbury. They said Tom Pelling, the driver of the bus, was white as death and trembling when they helped him down from his driver's seat. It was all over then, too late for anything to be done.

And Mr. Vickridge, he was like a man stunned. He didn't lend a hand with her, or move at all, but stood there on the pavement near the "Lamb" doorway, staring at it all, as white as a ghost. It was Mr. Peters, the policeman, that spoke to him at last, and he had to speak several times, and lift voice almost sharp, before he could make him hear.

Then Mr. Vickridge answered him. He answered all the questions Mr. Peters put to him, and what he said was right, as was found out later from others that had seen the accident happen. But though he answered the questions right, he seemed like a man half in a dream, so Mr. Peters had said.

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TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Motor Bandits," by S. L. Bensusan

ENGINEERS' 2ND DIVISION SOCCER WIN

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Eastern Stars

For Eastern, Ip Yun-fook shone in goal, Shin Bing-shun and Luk Fook-wa were good in defence, and Chan Bing-to worked hard to break through the Sappers' defence.

Hurst opened the score for Sappers, and Howlett netted their second without difficulty from a short pass by Darby, while Wilford added a third goal a few minutes afterwards from a penalty. Just before half time Darby scored with a neat header.

Three minutes after the resumption, Hurst ran in and beat Ip Yun-fook with a fast rising shot. The Engineers slackened off towards the end, and from a long pass up the field by Lee Bing-tong, Cheng Shui-hong drove in a fine shot which found its mark.

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Hong Kong Currency
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H.K. Bank $1,530 b. $1,529/34 ss. ex. div.
H.K. Bank (London) £106 n. ex. div.
Chartered Bank £14¾ n.
Mercantile Bank A. and B. £29½ n.
Mercantile Bank C. £18½ n.
Bank of East Asia $73 n.

Insurances

Canton Ins. $270 n.
Unions Ins. $552½ s.
China Underwriters $1 b.
China Fire Ins. $480 n.
H.K. Fire Ins. $260 n.
International Assce. $3¼ n.

Shipping

Douglases $86 n.
H.K. Steamboats $5½ n.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.), $30 n.
Indo-Chinas (Def.) $20 n.
Shells (Bearer) 90/- n.
Union Waterboats $14½ n.

Mining

Antamoks $1.84 n.
Balatocs 20 cts. b.
Baguio Gold 22 cts. n.
Benguet Consolidated $18.40 b.
Benguet Exploration 13 cts. n.
Big Wedge 21 cts. b.
Gold Creek 80 cts. n.
Gold River 7 cts. n.
Ipo Mining $1.90 b.
Itogons 60 cts. b.
Salacots 15 cts. n.
Kailan Mining Ad. 13/9 n.
Langkats (Single) $11 n.
Shai Exploration Sh.$4½ n.
Shanghai Loans Sh.$4 n.
Raubs $11.60 n.
Venz; Goldfield $3 b.

Docks, etc.

H.K. and K. Wharves (old) $100 n.
H.K. and K. Wharves (new) $97½ n.
H.K. and W. Docks $9 n.
Providents (old) $1.65 n.
Providents (new) 50 cts. n.
Hong Kew Sh.$190 n.
New Engineering Sh.$4 n.
Shanghai Docks: $79 n.

Cotton Mills

Ewo Cottons Sh.$8 n.
Shanghai Cottons (old) Sh.$70 n.
Shanghai Cottons (new) Sh.$41 n.
Zoong Sings Sh.$12 n.
Wing On Textiles Sh. $25 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H.K. and S. Hotels $5 n.
H.K. Lands $35½ n.
H.K. Lands 4% Debentures 100% n.
Shanghai Lands Sh.$18 n.
Metropolitan Lands Sh. $10 n.
Humphreys $9.70 n.
H.K. Realties $6.85 n.
Chinese Estates $84 n.
China Realties $4 n.
China Debentures Sh.$60 n.

Public Utilities

H.K. Tramways $12½ n.
Peak Trams (old) $7 n.
Peak Trams (new) $3 n.
Star Ferries $87 n.
Yaumati Ferries $19½ n.
C. Lights (old) $11.30 n.
C. Lights (new) $8 b.
H.K. Electrics $74½ s.
Macao Electrics $20 n.

THE
SHANGHAI COMMERCIAL & SAVINGS BANK LIMITED

(Incorporated in China)

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Reserves .....$7,300,000.
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WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

Business Topics In Background

Messrs James F. Hutton and Co., Ltd., Manchester, reported as follows on January 25:—

The past week will be remembered for the anxiety caused by the sudden illness of His Majesty the King, followed by the great shock of his death late on Monday night. The deepest concern has been shown on all sides during the short anxious days and the great loss is felt by all as a personal one.

Naturally, market topics have been in the background and there is little of interest to report. The Exchanges at Manchester and Liverpool were closed on Tuesday afternoon. Enquiry generally has only been on a moderate scale.

Lack Of Confidence

There has been a noticeable lack of confidence in prices and dealings have not been large. There has been a varied demand from India, but a large percentage of offers have been absolutely hopeless.

Calcutta and Karachi have, however, bought dhooties and light bleaching styles, and twills and satteens are also reported to have been placed. Fine white goods have been in moderate request for the Straits, while there has been mention of fancies for Java. There have been some Near Eastern offers for bleaching cloths, and tanjibs have been under consideration for Egypt. One or two small lines of muils are said to have been secured for Morocco.

White Shirtings

Buyers for West Africa have placed contracts for white shirtings, while prints have also received attention. Split prints, crepes, poplins and other specialities have been wanted for South America, and certain heavy goods in addition to prints for South Africa.

The Continent has provided very little support, but there have been signs of a better demand growing, especially from Germany, in a variety of styles.

(Continued in next Column)

Sandakan Lights $4¾ n.
Telephones (old) $26¼ n.
Telephones (new) $10.20 n.
China Buses Sh.$11¼ n.
Singapore Tractions 17/- n.
Singapore Tractions Pref. 26/- n.

Industrials

Malabon Sugars $8.40 n.
Cald., Macg. (Ord.) Sh.$19½ n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh.$15 n.
Canton Ices $1¾ n.
Cements $8.35 n.
H.K. Ropes $5.55 s.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms $22 s.
Watsons $4.85 n.
Lane, Crawfords $6¾ n.
Mackintoshs $5 n.
Sinceres $2.40 s.
Wm. Powells 70 cts. n.
Wing On (H.K.) $55 n.

Miscellaneous

Entertainments $4.70 n.
S. C. Enterprises $1.35 n.
Macao "Greyhounds" $2 n.
Constructions (old) $1¾ n.
Constructions (new) 50 cts. n.
Vibro Piling $4 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G$Bds.—94% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 4% prem. b.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan par. n.
Wallace Harpers $4 n.

LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY

Silver Prices Steady

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/8½d.

"Spot" silver remained steady at 19⅞, while "forward" was also steady at 19¾.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.$4.98⅞, as compared with £—U.S.$4.99, while the New York on London cross-rate was not quoted.

RAW RUBBER PRICES

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co. have received the following quotations in Straits Currency from Singapore for Raw Rubber:

Spot 25 ¾ b., Unchanged 26 s.
April/June 26 ¼ b., Unchanged 26 ½ s.
July/September 26 ½ b., Unchanged 26 ¾ s.
October/December 26 ¾ b., Unchanged 27 s.
Market:—Quiet.

FANLING GOLF RESULTS

Fanling Junior Title And Captain's Cup

A. R. Purves (8) beat W. W. C. Shewan (15) 4 and 3 to win the Captain's Cup, 1935, over the Old Course at Fanling during the week-end.

H. Laffond won the Junior Championship of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club by defeating W. A. Stewart by one hole. In the Semi-Final Round Stewart beat W. W. C. Shewan 3 and 1, and Laffond beat the Hon. Comdr. Hole 4 and 3.

Messrs. John D. Hutchison and Co. received a walk-over from Messrs. Gilman and Co. (scratched) in the Semi-Final round of the Stubbs Shield competition.

In the other Semi-Final Round encounter the Public Works Department (W. J. S. Key and W. W. C. Shewan) beat the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (P. H. Scoones and J. Mc. L. Brown) 6 and 4.

FRIENDLY REVOLVER SHOOTING MATCH

Police Reserves Beat Naval Picket

A friendly Revolver shooting match between members of the H. K. Police Reserve Emergency Unit and the Naval Picket took place yesterday at the Kennedy Road Range, resulting in a win for the former by 147 points.

Four practices of 6 rounds each were fired, the first at 10 yards deliberate, the third at 15 yards deliberate (left-hand) and the fourth at 15 yards in 10 seconds.

Scores were as follows:

Picket	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	T.
Clifton	15	11	14	15	55
Sims	13	15	2	8	38
Higgins	13	5	3	16	37
Westgate	16	19	3	5	33
Nichols	5	13	2	5	25
Smith	2	2	4	8	16
					204
Reserves.					
Lely	25	21	14	14	74
Tansley	21	19	15	15	70
Simmons	20	16	13	15	64
Dunlop	11	17	8	17	53
Lee	15	15	3	20	52
Field	11	14	3	10	38
					351

Sheetings have been sold in the Home Trade Section and demand includes overall cloths, easement and dress goods. Many orders are said to be held up pending the position becoming clearer.

STEEL, COULSON BILLIARDS

Fusiliers Withdraw From League

CATHOLIC UNION ASSURED OF CHAMPIONSHIP

The Royal Welch Fusilier Sergeants have withdrawn from the Steel, Coulson Billiards and Snooker Leagues, and all points for and against them have been deleted from the League tables.

The Catholic Union Club are now assured of the Championship of the Billiards League. The runners-up will depend entirely on the remaining two matches.

Only three points separate the three interested teams, the Prison Officers, the Civil Service Cricket Club and the Royal Engineer Sergeants.

Detailed results of the most recent games were:—

C.U.C.	v	Chief & PO's. Club
Santos 150		Edmunds 108
Silva 150		Randall 84
Antonio 150		Studden 91
Gill 150		Mallett 127
Pereira 149		Woodhouse 150
Highest Break Silva 52.		
Garr. Sgts. Mess	v	C.S.C.C
Andrews 150		Rakusen 98
Russell 150		Strange 96
Greensway 64		Phillips 150
John 119		Jones 150
Finch 98		Grimmitt 150
Prison Officers	v	R.E. Sgts.
Perry 65		Harris 150
Pile 121		Hodges 150
Shaw 150		Leppard 69
Pile 150		Chant 141
Hill 150		Staples 145
Chief & P.O.'s Club	v	D.R.C.
Studden 150		Alderman 79
Woodhouse 150		Ash 150
Edmond 150		Ruth 97
Puddicombe 150		Newnham 74
Mallett 145		Marsh 150

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.
C.U.C.	13	11	2	50	15
C.S.C.C.	13	10	3	39	26
Prison Officers	14	10	4	41	29
R.E.s	13	8	5	38	27
D.R.C.	14	7	7	35	35
Garr. Sgts.	14	7	7	35	35
C.P.O. Club	14	4	10	26	44
R.N.V.R.	13	2	11	19	46
St. Pats. Club	12	1	11	17	43

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY

Scotland To Hold Trial Game

In connection with the forthcoming International hockey tournament, Scotland will be holding a trial match at King's Park on Friday next at 5.15 p.m.

Colours:—G. Duncan; I. String and S. MacNider; E. MacNider, J. T. K. Gilchrist and J. J. King; C. A. Angus, T. S. D. Whitley, A. T. Lay, N. A. E. Mackay and Cameron.

Whites: — Howlett; J. Rodger and K. A. Munro; C. Blackbourn, D. McLellan and N. Whitley; W. W. C. Shewan, Major H. M. J. MacIntyre, Capt. J. Milne, V. Mackenzie and Campbell.

Scotland has been drawn against Germany in the first round.

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH

An 11 months' old child, George William Adams, was burned to death in his cot when a fire broke out last month in a flat at Oakland-grove, Shepherd's Bush. When the parents learned of their loss they collapsed, and both were taken to hospital.

BOY SWALLOWS MARBLES

Colin Smedley, aged 12, living at a Sheffield fairground, swallowed 25 glass marbles and 10 steel ball-bearings for a wager. He appeared to be none the worse.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the Year ending 31st December 1935 at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling at exchange 1/8 5/8 is payable on and after the 24th February 1936 at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 22nd February, 1936.

NOTICE

RACE MEETING

ON MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 24th 25th and 26th February, 1936, All Departments will be closed at 1 p.m.

On These Days,
The Hong Kong Dispensary, and The Kowloon Dispensary, will be opened for the purpose of dispensing prescriptions from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

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Hong Kong, 21st February, 1936.

NOTICE

THE STOCK EXCHANGE will be CLOSED at 12 Noon on the 24th, 25th and 26th inst. Race Days.

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VIVIAN BENJAMIN,
Secretary.

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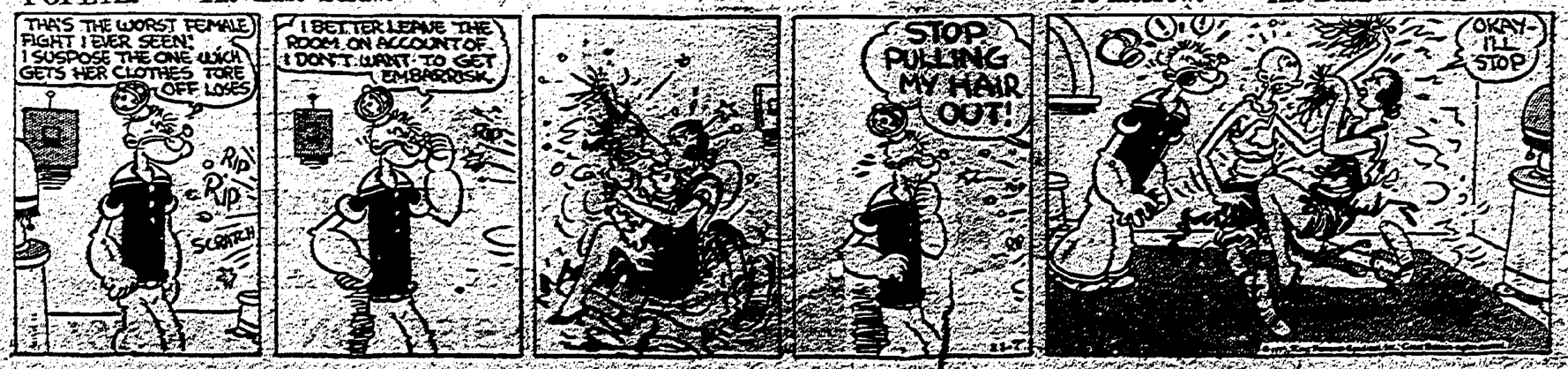

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Gladiator Beats King's Warden

(Continued from Page 1)

LANCASHIRE LAD WINS

A Grand Time (Mr. Pote-Hunt) again disappointed when he secured only third place in the Perth Plate (first section) after a very fair start. Lancashire Lad (Mr. Butler) provided a surprise when he won comfortably by 1½ lengths from Electron (Mr. Frost), the second favourite, while Ranger, which caused trouble at the barrier and unseated Mr. Black, filled fourth place. Able Warrior fared dismally, coming in last a very tired pony.

FAVOURITE NOWHERE

Jungle Jim, nicely ridden by Mr. Liang, caused an upset in the Curragh Stakes when he beat Mayflower (Mr. Pote-Hunt) in very convincing style after having taken the lead at the Rock. Soldier of Peace (Mr. Li) secured third place from Great Hall, which looked dangerous at the Rock and then fell away in the home stretch. The greatly favoured Soldier of China finished nowhere after being in the rear of the field all the way round.

GLADIATOR'S LUCKY DAY

It is unusual for any of Mr. Frost's mounts to pay a good dividend, but Gladiator's win in the Victoria Stakes caught the punters napping and he paid $71.30. The win, however, was a lucky one as King's Warden (Mr. Marshall) would have won had he not bored out twice over the last furlong. Soldier of Britain (Mr. Li) was third and Herod fourth.

MR. LIANG'S SECOND WIN

Bistre (Mr. Liang) was the first favourite of the day to win, but he was very seriously challenged by Tiny Star (Mr. Li), which beat Wadebridge (Mr. Marshall) for second place over the last 10 yards in the Garrison Cup. Only half a length gave Mr. Liang his second win of the day.

ROSEMARY NOT STARTING

Despite an early morning rumour that Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rosemary would be starting, it was learned later that she would not be going to the post as she was reported to be going lame.

Interviewed this morning her owner said: "It is very hard to say who will win. The race is between Royal Scot and Honeymoon Eve. I am afraid I cannot start Rosemary, as she is a little lame."

Mr. Li Tse-fong, another prominent Chinese owner, gave it as his opinion that Royal Scot would win.

Mr. Li Lan-sang said:—"It will be a very open race as there are so many good ponies, and the result will be between Royal Scot, Honeymoon Eve and King's Lead."

Mr. Harriman said he was confident that his pony could do it.

Mr. Frost, the local champion jockey, said he thought that Royal Scot would win, with Honeymoon Eve second.

Mr. L. Dunbar, the leading owner, forecasted the result of the Hong Kong Derby as 1 Royal Scot, 2 Bear Claw and 3 King's Lead.

RESULTS

1.—11.30 A.M.—THE TOWER STAKES.—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance $10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

Ho and Wong's Blue Ribbon 158 lb. ..... (Mr. C. Encarnacao) 1
S. S. Li's Gold Sovereign 161 lb. ..... (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 2
Brish's Cassius 149 lb. ..... (Mr. B. A. Proulx) 3
Ulster's Shamrock 155 lb. ..... (Mr. P. P. Botelho) 3

Also ran:—Hawthorn, 158 lb., (Mr. V. V. Needa); Hopscotch, 158 lb., (Mr. F. Marshall); Ideal Day, 155 lb., (Mr. N. Deitz); Locksmith, 155 lb., (Mr. H. C. Pih); Ocean View, 152 lb., (Mr. T. L. Wong); Strathalan, 155 lb., (Mr. D. Black); The Gorilla, 158 lb., (Mr. L. G. Frost); and Unicorn, 155 lb., (Mr. J. Pote-Hunt).

13 starters.
Won by 2 lengths, a length.
Time: 2.23.4.
Pari-mutuel, winner $39.50; places, 1st $14.90; 2nd $14.10; 3rd $151.50 (Shamrock) and $24.50 (Cassius).

2.—12.00 NOON.—THE PERTH PLATE.—(First Section).—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For Australian Ponies, Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners 10 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance $10. One Mile.

Note:—Intending Starters must be declared in writing to the Secretary, at his Office, the Race Course, before 6.15 p.m. on Saturday, 22nd February, 1936. The Stewards will determine by lot in which section ponies will start. This notification does not relieve Owners of the responsibility of declaring their ponies as starters in the usual manner, on the day of the race.

Lancashire's Lancashire Lad 152 lb. ..... (Mr. E. O. Butler) 1
J. E. D's Electron 156 lb. (Mr. L. G. Frost) 2
Li Po Chun's A Grand Time 150 lb. ..... (Mr. J. Pote-Hunt) 3

Also ran:—Able Warrior, 156 lb., (Mr. D. S. Li); Blandford, 154 lb., (Mr. C. Encarnacao); Honey, 152 lb., (Mr. N. Deitz); and Ranger, 152 lb., (Mr. D. Black).

7 starters:
Won by 1½ lengths, 1½ lengths.
Time: 1.51.2.
Pari-mutuel, winner $52.80; places, 1st $8.40; 2nd $7.00; 3rd $6.00.

3.—12.30 P.M.—THE CURRAGH STAKES.—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies. Ponies classified "A" and "B" Classes as at 31st December, 1935, barred. Weight 145 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every $200 or part thereof won in stakes since 1st January, 1935. Jockey Allowance. Entrance $10. One Mile.

Lan's Jungle Jim 153 lb. ..... (Mr. S. Y. Liang) 1
Fai's Mayflower 147 lb. ..... (Mr. J. Pote-Hunt) 2
Li Shiu Pang's Soldier of Peace 161 lb. ..... (Mr. D. S. Li) 3

Also ran:—Flybynight, 149 lb., (Mr. D. Black); Foxbridge, 150 lb., (Mr. F. Marshall); Gold Coin, 153 lb., (Mr. S. N. Pan); Gold Picker, 152 lb., (Mr. V. V. Needa); Great Hall, 155 lb., (Mr. G. U. da Roza); Locksley Hall, 147 lb., (Mr. G. R. Cheape); Mersey, 147 lb., (Mr. H. C. Pih); Popular Star, 147 lb., (Mr. Y. T. Fung); Rousseau, 155 lb., (Mr. C. Encarnacao); Soldier of China, 154 lb., (Mr. T. L. Wong); The Rain Gauge, 149 lb., (Mr. Tang Man Wa); Valorous, 152 lb., (Mr. E. O. Butler); What A Chance, 151 lb., (Mr. Ip Kui Ying); and Ythan, 153 lb., (Mr. L. G. Frost).

17 starters:
Won by a length, ½ length.
Time: 2.05.0.
Pari-mutuel, winner $29.40; places, 1st $8.60; 2nd $8.20; 3rd $9.30.

4.—1.00 P.M. — THE VICTORIA STAKES.—Winner $1,000. Second $300. Third $200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $10. One Mile.

Hem's Gladiator 158 lb. ..... (Mr. L. G. Frost) 1
Dynasty's King's Warden 161 lb. ..... (Mr. F. Marshall) 2
Li Shiu Pang's Soldier of Britain 161 lb. ..... (Mr. D. S. Li) 3

Also ran:—Cossack's Beauty, 161 lb., (Mr. T. L. Wong); Cyclamen Bay, 155 lb., (Mr. D. Black); Herod, 161 lb., (Mr. V. V. Needa); New Star, 161 lb., (Mr. P. P. Botelho); and Plain View, 155 lb., (Mr. Tang Man Wa).

8 starters:
Won by 2 lengths, 3 lengths.
Time: 2.00.4.
Pari-mutuel, winner $71.30; places, 1st $9.80; 2nd $7.00; 3rd $6.60.

5.—1.30 P.M.—THE GARRISON CUP.—Presented by the Officers of the Garrison, with $500 added for Winner Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of any Season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Griffins of this Meeting allowed 3 lb. Winners anywhere during 1935, of one race, 3 lb.; of two races, 5 lb.; of three or more races, 7 lb.; at this Meeting, 3 lb.; penalty. Subscription Griffins of previous Seasons, that have not won at least two races at race meetings of this Club, barred. Jockey Allowance. Penalties and Allowances accumulative. Entrance $10. One Mile.

Lee's Bistre 158 lb. ..... (Mr. S. Y. Liang) 1
C. N. K.'s Tiny Star 163 lb. (Mr. D. S. Li) 2
Mrs. Pearce's Wadebridge 168 lb. .....(Mr. F. Marshall) 3

Also ran:—Belmont Star, 165 lb., (Mr. Y. T. Fung); Burgomaster, 158 lb., (Mr. G. A. Harriman); Cavalcade, 160 lb., (Mr. V. V. Needa); Double Chance, 166 lb., (Mr. C. Encarnacao); Emergency Call, 163 lb., (Mr. S. N. Pan); Partnership, 152 lb., (Mr. G. U. da Roza); Philanderer, 161 lb., (Mr. D. Black); Racing Boy, 160 lb., (Mr. J. Pote-Hunt); Seventeenth of September, 159 lb., (Mr. L. G. Frost); Valley View, 160 lb., (Mr. T. L. Wong); Warrington, 155 lb., (Mr. P. P. Botelho); and Young Chap, 155 lb., (Mr. H. C. Pih).

15 starters:
Won by ½ length, ½ length.
Time: 2.06.3.
Pari-mutuel, winner $17.70; places, 1st $7.40; 2nd $12.10; 3rd $3.30.

6.—3.00 P.M.—THE MONGOLIAN STAKES.—Winner $600. Second $250. Third $150. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner of the Valley Stakes, 7 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance $10. Seven Furlongs.

Eu Tong Sen's Rose Evelyn 158 lb. ..... (Mr. C. Encarnacao) 1
Lan's Mountain View 155 lb. (Mr. T. L. Wong) 2
Li Po Chun's Celebration Time 158 lb. ..... (Mr. J. Pote-Hunt) 3

Also ran:—Balios, 158 lb., (Mr. V. V. Needa); Fidelity, 161 lb., (Mr. Tang Man Wa); Gold Eagle, 152 lb., (Mr. G. U. da Roza); Heriot, 161 lb., (Mr. B. A. Proulx); Judea, 158 lb., (Mr. H. C. Pih); Lancashire Loom, 153 lb., (Mr. G. A. Harriman); Merry Jester, 155 lb., (Mr. P. P. Botelho); Paymaster, 156 lb., (Mr. R. M. Wood); Peter Davey, 155 lb., (Mr. F. Marshall); Rugby Star, 155 lb., (Mr. D. F. Li); Silver Lining, 158 lb., (Mr. K. W. Fung); Stopwatch, 152 lb., (Mr. D. Black); Supercharge, 158 lb., (Mr. N. Deitz); and The Hero, 158 lb., (Mr. L. G. Frost).

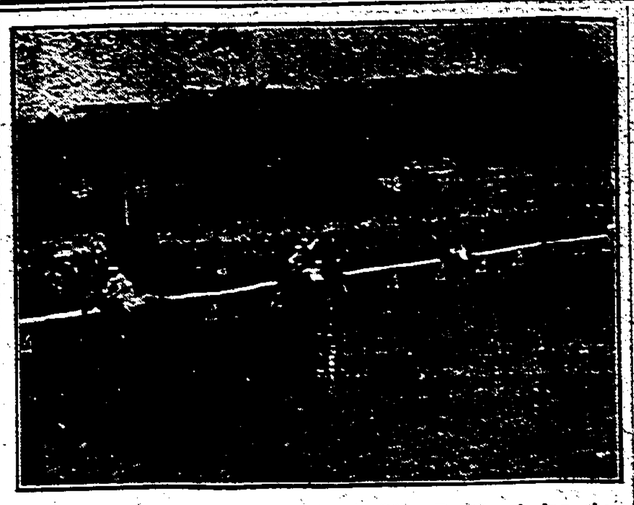
17 starters:
Won by two lengths, ½ a length.
Time: 1.54.0.
Pari-mutuel, winner $10.20; places, 1st $5.80; 2nd $11.10; 3rd $32.30.

7.—3.30 P.M.—THE MELBOURNE CUP.—Winner $750. Second $250. Third $150. For Australian Ponies of any Season. Weight 145 lb. Winners at any time of one race, 5 lb.; of two races, 10 lb.; of three or more races, 14 lb.; penalty. Entrance $10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

Mrs. E. H. M. Tinson's Bag Tor 160 lb. ..... (Mr. B. A. Proulx) 1
S. L. K.'s Shooting Star 151 lb. (Mr. N. Deitz) 2
Eu Tong Sen's Rose Anne 154 lb. .....(Mr. C. Encarnacao) 3

Also ran:—Halcyon, 151 lb., (Mr. E. O. Butler).

4 starters:
Won by five lengths, five lengths.
Time: 2.03.1.
Pari-mutuel, winner $7.90; places, 1st $5.50; 2nd $6.70.



Mr. Kwok Hin Wong's The Hero (Mr. Frost) winning the Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes (second section) from Ocean View on Saturday. ("China Mail" photo).

Have You Won?

Race 1

No. 1130	$784
„ 532	224
„ 968	56
„ 1181	56

Unplaced runners ($50 each), Nos.:—1663, 678, 1958, 188, 1498, 127, 1575, 1739.

Race 2

No. 1192	$1,014.30
„ 512	289.80
„ 160	144.90

Unplaced runners ($50 each), Nos.: 1443, 501, 1290, 1079.

Race 3

No. 1616	$760.20
„ 438	217.20
„ 2033	108.60

Unplaced runners ($50 each), Nos.: 1396 2338, 916, 82, 1386, 1800, 1672, 1901, 2186, 1873, 1795, 2206, 1204, 517.

Race 4

No. 945	$1,133.30
„ 1553	321.30
„ 2110	161.90

Unplaced runners ($50 each), Nos.: 694, 1049, 2063, 2390, 2211.

Race 5

No. 435	$963.80
„ 877	276.80
„ 635	138.40

Unplaced runners ($50 each), Nos.: 1910, 1341, 1706, 469, 971, 2571, 1582, 905, 2068, 1244, 1642, 894.

Race 6

No. 3277	$1,372.00
„ 3167	392.00
„ 2081	196.00

Unplaced runners ($50 each), Nos.: 847, 1779, 2189, 480, 773, 364, 82, 2742, 8270, 3415, 1639, 2552, 2070, 3322.

Race 7

No. 3137	$1,890.70
„ 354	640.20
„ 65	270.10

Unplaced runners ($50 each), Nos.: 3124.

WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone has increased slightly in intensity and the depression has moved rapidly northeastward to the east of Hokkaido. Pressure is highest to the northwest of Shantung, and is relatively low over Indo-China. Northeast winds, moderate to fresh; cloudy, some drizzle, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

EMPLOYMENT AID SOCIETY

Asks Co-Operation From Employers

The Employment Aid Society, St. Teresa's Parochial Hall, No. 99C, Waterloo Road, an association formed by a group of voluntary social workers, is appealing for the co-operation of those who are in a position to offer employment of any kind to people on its books, both male and female.

It demands no fee either from the employer, and examines the credentials of all applicants, only recommending for employment those who seem fully deserving of recommendation.

Any information prospective employers can give will be welcomed.

MAN'S DEATH IN EXILE

Friend Whom Duce Imprisoned

Metz.

The death occurred here recently, after a short illness, of Signor Attilio Susi, formerly a close friend of Signor Mussolini and Vice-President of the Italian Chamber.

Signor Susi, who was 41, was imprisoned three years ago in Rome after a quarrel with the Duce. With the help of one of the guards, he escaped to France, where he lived in exile the life of an ordinary workman.

K.L.M. AIR LINES

Amsterdam-Batavia Service

COMPARATIVE FIGURES ISSUED

On June 12, 1935, the twice-weekly service to the Netherlands East Indies, which was urgently required for the ever-increasing number of passengers and freight, was inaugurated. Previously this airline was exploited with Fokker F.12 and Fokker F.18 machines and only once weekly. The type of aeroplanes used for the doubled service are the Fokker/Douglas DC2. The duration of the journey was reduced from 9 to 5½ days.

On the Amsterdam-Batavia airline 2,329,211 km. were flown, against 1,475,770 in 1934. Altogether 1,554 passengers were carried (878 in 1934) totalling 7,589,051 Pass/km. (4,368,651 km. in 1934). Therefore passenger transport increased by 73.7 per cent., that is to say 22.8 per cent. during the first half year and 118.9 per cent. during the second half year.

Mail Transport

Mail transport increased by 19.3 per cent., which means nearly 100,000 tons. Freight transport increased by 52.6 per cent. The total percentage of loading capacity sold amounted to 72 per cent. for 1935, as against 78.5 per cent. in 1934, when on the weekly service nearly every plane was loaded to the utmost capacity.

Calculating the average weight of load on board from beginning to end of the journey, one arrives at the following result: 219 Kg. mails, 8 Kg. parcel mail, 46 Kg. freight, 84 passengers, 68 Kg. luggage and 17 Kg. overweight luggage.

Average Delays

Since the inception of the 5½ day-schedule the average delay in the Eastward direction was ½ a day, the same as during the winter service scheduled for 6½ days. In the Westward direction the average delay was 0.4 days during the summer and 1.1 days during the winter.

Of course, it must not be lost sight of that during the winter the same schedule was adhered to as during the summer, although in the former season the days are considerably shorter than during the latter.

Therefore it had already been anticipated that sometimes it would be practically impossible to accomplish the homeward journey in 5½ days, especially as the winter-route leads partly through regions where bad weather conditions prevail. Delays on the Eastbound journey are almost negligible, because the schedule allows one day more for this than during the summer.

NEGRO INFLUENCE IN ART

Paul Robeson Sees Change In U.S.

GIVING AMERICA SOMETHING NEW AND VITAL

Mr. Paul Robeson, who opened his tour of Britain last month with a concert at the Albert Hall returned from America on January 17.

In Hollywood he played in a new version of "Show Boat," in which he created a great impression at Drury Lane. Once again he sings "Old Man River," but the story, he states, has been considerably changed.

The thing that most impressed Mr. Robeson in America was the remarkable rise of the negro in music, dancing, acting and literature.

"Warner Brothers are making a picture of 'The Green Pastures,' Ernest Lubitsch is planning an all negro musical film, and 'Porgy and Bess,' a negro opera with music by George Gershwin, has just finished a successful run on Broadway," he said to me.

"These are only a few manifestations of the flowering of negro culture that is giving America most of what is really new and vital in the arts. Everywhere there are fine negro actors, singers and dancers.

"Negro gestures and mannerisms of bearing and speech have influenced scores of white performers — Alice Faye and Ginger Rogers, for example — who are probably quite unconscious of it; and recent American literature, especially that of the South, is saturated with negro speech and thought."

Mr. Roberson is considering several British film offers. He may play in the Gaumont-British version of "King Solomon's Mines," or he may do a picture about Africa by an independent company.

The screen's most fascinating lovers, Ronald Colman and Joan Bennett, are in the 20th Century production, "The Man Who Broke The Bank At Monte Carlo," which is coming to the King's and Alhambra Theatres shortly.

BOGNOR REGIS TRAGEDY

Nurse And Man Die In Bungalow

WHO IS THE WOMAN?

Following the discovery of the bodies of a Bognor Regis, Sussex, taxicab proprietor and a young woman in a room, filled with gas, at a bungalow at Felpham, near Bognor Regis, the police were seeking last month to establish the identity of the woman, who was known as Nurse Hill.

She had been friendly with the man, Mr. Victor H. Simmonds, aged 40, proprietor of a taxi carriage hiring business in Bognor, and a married man with a family.

When neighbours noticed that a small two-seater motor-car had been parked outside the bungalow for some days they informed the police, who forced an entry and found the bodies of Simmonds and Nurse Hill. They are presumed to have died from gas poisoning.

Knows Nothing

Mrs. Simmonds, who lives at Wood-street, Bognor Regis, stated that she knew nothing of the tragedy.

Nurse Hill, who is thought to belong to Cardiff, disappeared with Simmonds about two weeks before they were found. They were later heard of at Hampstead.

Each left notes addressed to the coroner, Simmonds writing, "This is the only way out." A shilling and a halfpenny were in their possession.

ASKED FOR PRISON

Old Piano-Tuner Tired Of Struggle

When Albert Edwin Chantler, aged 70, pleaded guilty at Brighton recently to stealing two medals from a room where he had been tuning a piano he appealed for as long a prison sentence as possible, saying:

"I am tired of the struggle, of wandering from place to place and being unable to find work. The wireless has killed the piano trade almost.

"I would be better by far in prison. It is doing me a real kindness. I shall have some food and a bed."

He was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, another theft charge, from Eastbourne, being taken into consideration.

CALCUTTA 'GERM' MURDERERS

Sentenced To Life Transportation

AMAZING CASE RECALLED

Calcutta.

The sentences of death passed in February, 1935, upon Dr. Taranath Bhattacharya and Benayendra Nath Pandey for the "germ murder" of the latter's step-brother, Marenda Nath Pandey, have been commuted by the High Court to transportation for life.

Marenda was a wealthy landowner. It was suggested that the motive for the crime was that at Marenda's death Benayendra would succeed to an estate yielding £5,000 a year.

Extraordinary Case

The case was one of the most extraordinary in the annals of Indian crime. The prisoners were found guilty of murdering their victim by hiring an accomplice to inject plague baccilli obtained from a Bombay hospital into his body as he was walking along the street.

Benayendra then called in Dr. Bhattacharya to treat his brother, but owing to the doctor's deliberate negligence the poisoned man developed septic pneumonia and died. The doctor issued a false death certificate on the basis of which the body was cremated.

Two other doctors who were tried for conspiracy to murder were acquitted.

POLICE RESERVE

Orders For The Current Week

Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector General of Police.

Chinese Company

Strength: Constable 810 Soong Choong-hing has been taken on the strength of the Chinese Company, as from February 12, 1936.

Training Course—Part II: All recruits of the Chinese Company who have not yet passed Part II of Training Course will attend at the Chinese Company Headquarters on Tuesday, February 25 at 17.30 hours for instruction.

Indian Company

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Flying Squad

Instructional Patrol: The instructional patrol for members of the Flying Squad will take place on Friday, February 28, 1936. Members will parade at Central Police Station at 17.30 hours sharp. Dress—Blue Uniform, and Cap with White Cover.

Emergency Unit Reserve

Riot Drill: A Riot Drill will be carried out by members of the Emergency Unit Reserve on Friday, February 28. All members will parade outside Queen's Pier at 17.20 hours. Dress—Optional.

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Hong Kong, Monday, February 24, 1936.

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DAMAGES CLAIM FAILS

Injured By Dart In Public-House

Judge Konstam, in a reserved judgment at Shoreditch recently, refused a claim for damages by a bricklayer, William Graham, of Clifton-street, E.C., from Alfred Mordecai, landlord of the Windmill public-house, Castle-street, Finsbury, E.C., for an injury to his left hand from a dart.

Graham was picking up his change from the counter when a dart ricochetted from a dart-board and stuck in his hand. The defence was that the danger of such a thing happening was so apparent to a customer that the liability of the licensee ceased.

Judge Konstam said the danger was certainly known to Graham, and he could not claim any more rights than those of an ordinary invitee.

A stay of execution for 21 days was granted pending the possibility of appeal.

'LEARNER' WAS AN EXPERT

It Was Inspector Who Could Not Drive

Oxford.

A traction engine decorated with the letter "L," a Ministry of Transport driving inspector who could not drive it, and a "learner" of 20 years' experience, figured in a driving test recently.

The driver, Mr. A. J. Mason, of Little Milton, near here, had to take the test before his licence could be renewed. He was quickly passed and so becomes entitled not only to drive his traction engine, but any kind of motor-car as well, though he has never driven one in his life.

JUBILEE OAK

Dame Margaret Lloyd George last month planted an oak in a new avenue at Criccieth, Caernarvonshire, planned to commemorate the King's Silver Jubilee.

Art Claims The Artist

(Continued from Page 9)

It wasn't until later, when his friends had taken him home, that he broke down. Katie Filcher, that was maid at the Vickridges', told of it.

"She can't be gone! Oh, God, she can't be gone!" he kept on saying, after he had wept like a child.

Thereafter the village kept sympathetic eyes and ears open, and wondered what the end of it would be. Mr. Vickridge was like a man in a daze at the funeral. He didn't cry when they lowered the coffin, but when the first spadeful of dry earth clattered on the polished wood, he shivered, and then stiffened. Three days later he was seen out walking, but his shoulders were rounded a little, and he wasn't striding out as he used to. It seemed as if he was a man walking in a dream with a heavy load on his shoulders. No one spoke to him, and he didn't seem to see anyone.

Mark Waymer, the landlord of the "Lamb," who had watched him go by, spoke of it that evening in the bar.

"It's breaking him up, that's the long and short of it," he said, shaking his head. "A gentleman like him feels things more than what we should. I don't know when I felt so sorry for a man, and my missis, she's been crying her eyes out, on and off, ever since it happened. Ah, well, it isn't the worst ones that's took early, and she'll be looked after where she is. It's him I'm sorry for most."

"And to think of him standing out there, seeing it all," said someone, in a voice of mingled sympathy and relish. "I shouldn't think he'd ever be able to get it out of his mind. That's what's the terrible part, if you ask me."

"You're right," said the landlord, holding the glass up to the light and narrowing one eye at it. "It don't bear thinking of, what must be in his mind all the time. It don't bear thinking of."

"No," said another voice, "it don't bear thinking of."

And there was a pause in which they all thought of it.

The same evening, in his long thatched cottage standing alone in the field beyond the church, John Vickridge sat staring at the red coals. Presently his gaze moved slowly, almost furtively, to the empty chair at the other end of the hearthrug, and a flicker of anguish changed the numbed expression of his face.

Mary's chair. She would never smile at him from it again. Wherever she was, whatever communion might be possible between them still, he would never see her sitting there in the flesh, with the gentle smile that he loved.

He clasped his slender fingers tightly together, and his eyes turned again to the fire. But it was not the shimmering coals and the little dancing yellow flames that he saw, but the picture that had scarcely given him any rest since the accident.

He had seen it all, all. It was so vivid in his mind that thinking about it was like witnessing it again, like standing there on the pavement at the corner, and seeing Mary, looking fresh and bright, with a sparkle in her eyes, as she crossed the road towards him. And then the bus—the glittering bars across the radiator—the rusty patch, butterfly-shaped, where a flake of green paint had long been chipped off the mud-guard—that horrible screech of brakes, as though the great rumbling thing itself perceived the horror—the driver's face, with a twisted mouth and staring eyes—the impact—the . . .

He was seeing it all again, not as a picture called up in the mind, but as a present reality, every detail sharp, merciless, even to a paper bag with a confectioner's name slanting across it, blowing gaily over the road, escaping the wheels.

Mary was gone.

He came back to that bleak fact, the drama of the scene dying, fading away into a lonely vacuity. He shivered, stirred in his chair, then was still again. It seemed to him that he wanted nothing more than to be allowed to die, here in his chair opposite hers; that the emptiness of life without her was something he had no courage to face.

He remembered her smile, and words spoken by her, and her hand light and cool on his forehead when he had been ill. He knew that love such as theirs was rare. They had not always needed to speak their thoughts, but each had known the other's intuitively, as though they were one person.

He discovered that he was sitting tense, rigid. He relaxed, and again the scene on the "Lamb" corner was before him, cruelly sunny, sunshine pouring over it all with an ironic benison, its gold touching her head. A single hair had blown across her face, and it gleamed like a gold wire.

That, too, he had seen. He had seen everything. He was gifted and trained to see. Literary critics lavishly praised the minuteness of his observation. This thought crossed his mind, and he felt like laughing stupidly, though he did not laugh. A fool, a dolt, a human clod might have stood where he had stood, seen the accident, felt the sharp pain, perhaps, in his heart.

But the fool would have known less, having only a jumble in his eyes, a vague shape of disaster, a dim woman crushed beneath a mere mass that was a vehicle, all seen as in a glass darkly. But to have seen it all with eyes that missed nothing, to have everything, even the point of light on the button of her shoe, imprinted with pain on one's heart—

"Mr. Vickridge's sensitive and stark work, accurate in its minutest details, yet supremely natural . . ." The comment of a famous critic returned to him, awakening a curious bitter humour. That use of "accurate . . . *yet*" had amused him at the time, and it amused him now. What did they think accuracy of detail was, then—a dodge, a trick, the compilation of a catalogue? Probably that "yet" was a piece of conscious cleverness on the part of the famous critic.

Well, it didn't matter. All their words never touched the secret. If you were an artist, you were an artist, and when the authentic vision and urge came, you broke the rules and escaped analysis, as all life must escape analysis. Out of a void, often out of the blackness of despair or suffering, something whirled, a spark, no more, till it whirled and whirled into a shining thing of form and vitality, poem, story, canvas. Out of the void . . .

It came!

He felt the leap of the authentic spark within him, the mysterious first joy of the artist, subtle, thrilling, quickening, masterful. His hands closed over the arms of the chair. Light came in his dulled eyes. He was aware, with a sense of relief and power, of new life flooding into him, and of the pressure of the uncertain shape of a story on his mind. He never saw his best work clearly. But he knew its beginnings, its moment, beyond all question, with a strange sweet certainty where all appeared to be vague.

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'PLANE CRASH ECHO

Aeroplane wreckage found on the Anglesey coast has been identified as part of an R.A.F. machine which fell in the River Dee, near Flint, on December 13, when the pilot and passenger were rescued.

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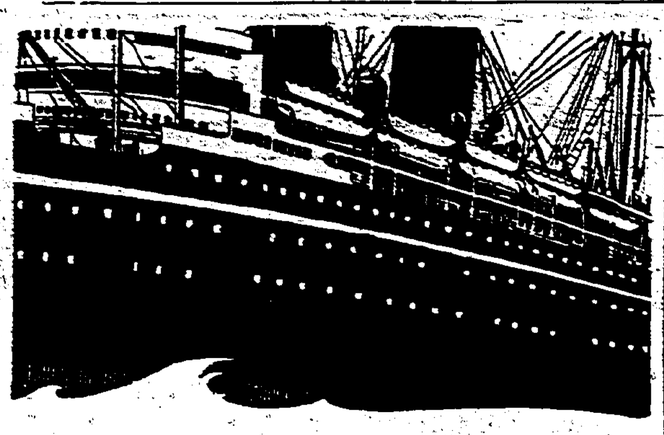

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This week the Secretariat of the League of Nations entered its new building. It was built for all the meetings of the Assembly and Council, committees, special conferences and for a Library and all administrative services except autonomous organisations like the Permanent Court of International Justice at The Hague and the International Labour Office.

The new buildings are a short distance from the town of Geneva and consist of about 400 offices, besides the committee-rooms and library premises. All the committee-rooms are not yet finished, nor yet the large assembly hall, which will hold 300 delegates, accompanied by 200 experts, besides galleries for about 500 journalists and 700 or 800 official guests and the public.

There is also a large hall for the Council of the League and many committee-rooms, some of which can hold 600 persons. The whole covers an area of 17,900 square metres and the total volume is 440,000 metres. By the end of the week practically all the Secretariat will have moved in. The library will be open to the public next spring, and the committee-rooms will be completed successively.

Nutrition Questions

The mixed committee of health, agriculture and economic experts dealing with the question of nutrition ended its meeting on February 15, agreeing to a general outline of the report to be drafted by the drafting committee, which will meet on May 4 before the second full session, fixed for the beginning of June. It will be remembered that the question of nutrition was raised by the Australian delegate in the last session of the League Assembly, which decided that the various health, social, agricultural and commercial aspects of the question should be investigated. The experts were accordingly appointed by the League's health and economic organisations, in agreement with the International Institute of Agriculture and the International Labour Organisation. This committee adopted a report which had already been prepared under the instructions of the Health Committee.

The report outlines a scientific system of nutrition suitable for all ages and different classes of people. The experts desired that in all countries a special body should be instructed by the Governments to collect all the information concerning nutrition conditions.

Principles Compared

These bodies would centralise the work of scientific and administrative authorities, carrying out a comprehensive plan of research on international lines. The purpose of the enquiry would be to compare the principle of scientific feeling with the present needs and conditions of the different countries. The social, economic and health importance of a sound nutrition policy would be studied.

According to the committee the adoption of more rational principles and higher standards of nutrition would increase the demand for foodstuffs and thus have a beneficial effect on the sale of agricultural produce. The committee emphasised the importance of the investigation of chronic malnutrition, aggravated by occasional famine from which the Asiatic and African peoples suffer. This situation, and the economic, health and social problems thereby raised, form an essential part of the League's investigation. — British Wireless Service.

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time and energy on what it has always recognised as one of its chief aims and duties—educating the public about animals and animal life. And it is bound to utilise ever more fully the technical achievements of modern invention, in the shape of wireless, the cinema, printing, television and so forth, for the purpose of bringing the Zoo to the people and extending the circle of its activities.

Wallace Beery and Jackie Cooper are co-starred in "O'Shaughnessy's Boy," which is now showing at the King's Theatre.

THE WONDERLAND OF THE ZOO

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thrown open on Sundays, then every fine Sunday in summer would see 80,000 or 100,000 people at the gates. But the gardens are less than 40 acres in extent, and anything over 50,000 visitors is an appalling crush.

If some Lansbury of the future were to allot another 50 or 100 acres of Regent's Park to the Zoo, Sunday opening would be at least physically possible.

But the trend which interests me most, because it has the greatest possibilities, is the extension of the Government's educational activities (I use the word *educational* for want of a better, in the very broadest sense).

Special Exhibits

Special exhibits illustrating scientific principles, such as Mendel's laws of heredity demonstrated with living animals, or the change of colour of various creatures to match their surroundings, are now being arranged.

A project already agreed to is the establishment of a "Children's Zoo." To the masses of town children who normally never see any animals except sparrows and a few dogs and cats, the contact with living creatures thus provided will, I am sure, be of great value.

But there is a broader side to the question. Some years ago the B.B.C. arranged for a weekly talk on the Zoo, and the "Zoo Man's" hour is now one of the most popular. With this, a new principle had been introduced. Instead of waiting for the people to come to the Zoo, the Zoo was being taken to the people.

Another main aid is apparent in the popular press Zoo notes.

This principle, of taking the Zoo to the people—shall we call it "extension work?"—is capable of enormous expansion.

Film Aids

The film is another obvious medium of extension. The Zoo might make and sponsor its own films, which would then go out to the ends of the earth.

Many interesting things happen but rarely in the Zoo, or are difficult to see. They could be made accessible in films. All who saw a good Zoo film would be able to take a more intelligent interest in their next visit to Regent's Park.

Again, the Zoo might have its own cinema, where only animal and nature films were shown. This would ensure a longer life for those many "shorts" of animals and birds which now disappear after a brief showing in the ordinary cinemas, and would give the opportunity for those interested in natural history to come regularly.

The Zoo might also run its own gazette to serve as a popular focus for all activities connected with animals.

These are the merest speculations, suggested by the success of Zoo broadcasting. But they seem on the line of natural development.

Steady Improvement

Just when or how this or that change will happen, no one can foretell. But as time goes on, the Zoo, it seems, is bound to introduce steady improvement in the housing and the showing of its animals. It is bound to cater more and more for the popular love of animals by bringing visitors into more intimate contact with its exhibits wherever possible.

It is bound to spend ever more

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RADIO

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derings," "Feminine Fancies" sung by The Carlyle Cousins.

8.30-9.15 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.

8.30 p.m.—Sir Walford Davies, "Music and the Ordinary Listener." What about the Tune? 2. Tune that sing themselves.

9 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

9.15-9.40 p.m.—Vocal Gems.
The Belle of New York
The Waltz Dream (Strauss)
The Merry Widow (Lehar)
The Desert Song (Romberg)
The Blue Mazurka (Lehar)

9.40-10 p.m.—Selection of Tangos.

10 p.m.—Big Ben: Close Down.

VERDICTS

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Athletic leader. Over-excitement on the part of the Athletic forwards, combined with stout-hearted resistance by the Gunners' defence, probably saved Stonecutters from defeat.

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A "Combined" Victory

South China juniors suffered another ignominous defeat at home when they lost to the Combined R.A.O.C. and R.A.S.C. team by three clear goals on Saturday, the soldiers' halves spelling disaster for them with a capital "D".

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How The Halves Fared

Worsfold, the soldiers' pivot, was the most outstanding player on view and held Kam Sik-wai throughout, while Jennings, on his left, gave his usual sound display. Gosling, on the right-flank, was slightly disappointing, although he played up well towards the end.

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Duffield Honoured

Beasley made a very resourceful leader and could do little wrong, but Duffield had a very strenuous time and was honoured by the attentions of two players, Ho Chi-wing and Fung Choi-po.!

COLONY BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Highest break: 56 by Leung Sin Nin.

This Week's Programme

TO-DAY

Senior: (3rd Round) M. N. Rakusen v. W. Hong Sling, (Club Lusitano).

Junior: (3rd Round) C. A. Cunha v. R. G. Xavier (Civil Service C.C.); 4th Round) Mui Chan Jed v. Tsoi Hon Bun, (Dockyard R.C.); (3rd Round) F. P. Sequeira v. Simon Chan, (Dockyard Police C.).

TO-MORROW

Senior: (3rd Round) M. M. da Silva v. Chan Kai Yin (Kowloon C.C.).

THURSDAY

Senior: (3rd Round) Lam Cho Cha v. Andrew Tse (Club Lusitano).

Junior: (4th Round) I. T. Yung v. P. E. Silva, (Sports Club).

Junior: (4th Round) E. A. V. Remedios v. C. A. Cunha or R. G. Xavier (Engineers 1st).

FRIDAY

Senior: (3rd Round) Yan Charm Pong v. A. J. Osmund, (Kowloon C.C.).

Junior: (4th Round) Simon Chan or F. P. Sequeira v. A. Kitchell (Civil Service C.C.).

The above games will complete the quarter-finals in both Senior and Junior Championship competitions. There will not be any games played in the following week, but in the week commencing March 2, the semi-finals and finals of both competitions will be staged at the Club Lusitano. A special table for these games is being erected by kind courtesy of Messrs. Lane Crawford Ltd.

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Art Claims The Artist

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He lay passive for perhaps a quarter of an hour, save for his hands tense over the ends of the chair arms. Then he drew a long breath, rose quickly, found paper and a pencil, sat down at the oval oak table on which the oil lamp burned and began to write.

At the end of the first short paragraph he paused. His eyes were shining. With the opening words life had entered into the story. It was organic already, before it had form! There was never any doubt of the result when that happened with him. No planning could counterfeit that pulsating life spontaneously given, nothing was so sure as its success.

After only a brief pause, he started writing again, and for two-and-a-half hours his pencil flew, with scarcely an interruption. Then he slashed a great confident line across the blank lower third of the last sheet, flung his pencil clattering along the table-top, and leaned back, feeling physically spent but mentally alert. The reaction would follow, he knew that. He would descend to the depths again, into the dark places of frustration and despair. That would come. Let it! The job was done!

The story was written, and he knew it to be good! With the clear joy of having created running through his veins like new and more abundantly life-giving blood, he gathered the sheets together and put them in order. He read them through carefully, altering three separate words and one phrase of four words, that was all. Then he scrawled along the top of the first sheet, in a large free-arm style hardly resembling the rest, the title—"Plucked Flower."

"And now," he murmured, rising stiffly, "it's time I ate."

It was only three weeks later, on a sunny morning, when he opened a literary weekly, detected the faintly exciting smell of new print, found the story-page, and saw his latest story printed there.

He read it through, with jealous eyes on the compositor's work to see that no fault had marred his meaning, and was pleased with it. With his chair full in the sunshine that poured through the leaded casements, he lay back, a man almost content, the story across his knees. Somewhere a bee was rumbling intermittently, and he could see a pink rosebud curtseying at one corner of the window.

An imagined comment by a reviewer of his next volume of short stories floated deliciously into his mind. "Sensitive and strong as are the other stories in this collection, they come near being eclipsed by the last one in the book, a story which lights up with a strangely moving beauty, not remote from tears, an accident in which a woman loses her life under the wheels of a bus. 'Plucked Flower' is probably Mr. Vickridge's best short story so far. In it he . . ." And so on, and so on.

He dreamed on in the sunshine, drowsily listening to the happy bee. Presently his gaze wandered to the photograph of his wife on the little oak chest, and his face tightened. His gaze travelled on to the chair she used to sit in, and the light of happiness went out of his eyes. He seemed in a few moments to grow older. He still heard the bee busy among the flowers in the sunshine outside, but now it was a melancholy sound, and the sunshine itself an irony.

A small sigh escaped him. "Mary!" he thought, with pain. And then: "I shall never get over it, as long as I live—never."

But already, as he stared with melancholy eyes at her chair, some part of his mind was beginning to ponder slowly the possibilities of a new story, to be called, probably, "The Empty Chair."

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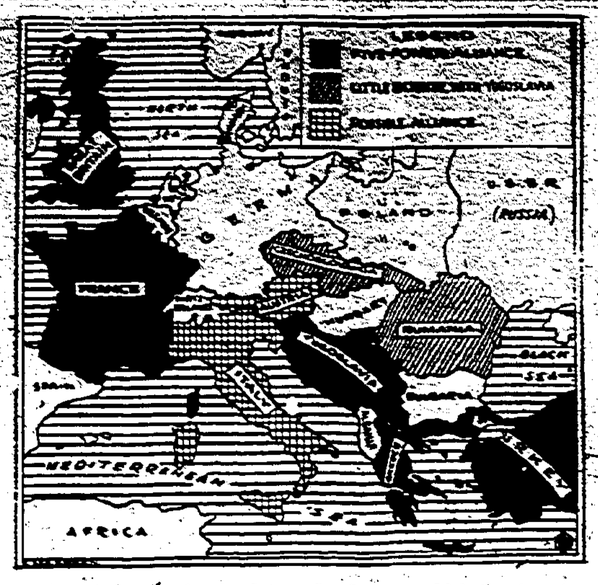

Another move in the international drama which threatens to reach a climax in another European war was staged when an alliance of Great Britain, France, Turkey, Greece and Yugoslavia was formed to resist any attack by Italy on one of the members of the pact. Rumania and Czechoslovakia, who form the Little Entente together with Yugoslavia, were considered virtual members of the pact because of their mutual assistance agreement with Yugoslavia.

APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS

Geneva Committee To Meet

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Geneva, To-day.

The President of the Sanctions Committee, Senhor Vasconcellos, has convened a meeting for March 2 at 4.30 p.m. to deal with, firstly, proposal 4, referring to the export embargo being extended to benzine, coal, iron and steel, and secondly, the report of the Committee of Experts on the supervision of the application of the sanctions.

The actual significance of the coming session is impossible to gauge at this juncture, since very contradictory views are heard in the various League of Nations circles.

It is not even certain whether Mr. Anthony Eden himself will come personally to the conference or not, but he if does M. Flandin is expected to attend also. Should this not be the case, then France is expected to be represented by her permanent League of Nations delegate, M. Paul-Boncour.—Trans-Ocean Service.

MAN BLOWN TO ATOMS

Explosion On Board Steamer

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Rome, To-day.

An explosion occurred in Naples when the freight steamer Antonietta was loading ammunition. One case containing bombs slipped off the crane hook and crashed down on to the afterdeck, where it exploded.

One man was blown to atoms, while four others were seriously injured, the vessel itself being badly damaged.—Trans-Ocean Service.

IMPORTANT FIND AT COLCHESTER

Pottery Of Norman Times

Colchester.

Two Norman pots of very rare types were recently discovered by workmen excavating in Colchester High-street. One pot is 5in in height and the other 11in high with two handles and a spout.

Only four or five vessels of similar date have been previously discovered in Britain, and these present ones, of rough grey ware and well baked, are of a type not previously recognised in these islands.

They are derived from what is known as Merovingian ware, made on the Continent between the 9th to the 11th centuries. They were discovered on the site where at one time stood the stone house of Eudo Dapifer, steward to William the Conqueror.

FALL THROUGH SKYLIGHT

A night watchman named Jeal was severely injured last month when he fell through the skylight of offices in Chenies-street, W.C.

ADVANCE OF ITALIANS

Badoglio Faces Abyssinians

12-MILE ADVANCE CLAIMED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Asmara, To-day.

Marshal Badoglio, with three divisions of the First Army Corps, is reported to have reached the northern sphere of Amba Aladchi, which means that he is now facing the formidable bulwark of the Abyssinian defence between his troops and the reputedly good roads to Dessie, and then on to Addis Ababa.

Marshal Badoglio's forces advanced 12 miles on Friday and it is declared that the Abyssinians abandoned their positions between Amba Aradam and Amba Aladchi without a struggle.

Reports from the southern front state that an Abyssinian force 18,000 strong was attacked by the Italian motorised section at Foca in Bali province, on the caravan road to Magale. The Abyssinian forces were cut to pieces and routed by Italian fire, the Italians capturing three armoured lorries.

ETHIOPIAN REPORT

Addis Ababa: Ras Mulngeta occupied the defence positions south of Mikale and east of Antalo according to plan, this seeming to mark the end of his retreat movement. Reinforcements arrived from the Danakil army. Mountain defences are being thrown up in great haste. This army is now believed to number 80,000.

Ras Desta's army was also reinforced by 5,000 men with the most modern equipment from Addis Ababa, including anti-aircraft and anti-tank guns.—Trans-Ocean Service.

POISONED TOOTH POWDER

Actress's Death Mystery

POLICE ENQUIRIES

Bucharest.

The police are enquiring into the mysterious death of Miss Tita Cristesco, daughter of M. George Cristesco, leader of the Rumanian Socialist party.

She died from potassium cyanide poisoning, and a quantity of this was found mixed with the tooth-powder she used. It must have been added to the powder shortly before she went to brush her teeth on the night of her death.

It was at first believed she had committed suicide, but the discovery of the poison indicates that she was murdered. A friend has asked the Government's permission to call in an English detective.

Miss Cristesco had been engaged in theatre and cinema work.

SHORT-LIVED STRIKE

A "sit-in" strike began in the Ocean Colliery, Nantymoel (Glam.) but ended when miners' leaders persuaded the men to resume work.

EXCITEMENT IN BULGARIA

Army Officers In Late Revolt

AFTERMATH OF COURT MARTIAL

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Sofia, To-day.

Tense excitement prevails throughout Bulgaria at the outcome of the secret trial of 27 persons accused of complicity in the plot against the Crown.

The trial lasted for over two months, and the Court spent no less than three days in deliberating before giving the verdict which, as already reported by Trans-Ocean, involved the death sentence against the chief plotters, Col. Weltcheff and Major Stancheff, former Adjutant to the commander of the Sofia garrison, who were found guilty of organising the revolt in the army and of attempting to overthrow the Toscheff Government.

Two officers were each sentenced to 10 years' penal servitude and eight of the accused received sentences of eight years each, while one former officer, Captain Lazaroff, who was accused of having acted as courier between the plotters in Belgrade and Sofia, was sentenced provisionally to one year in gaol.

Fourteen others including the former Finance Minister, M. Todoroff, General Saimoff and Colonel Macheff, were acquitted.

This verdict shows that the plot was carried out by a very small group of army officers but had not extended beyond this narrow circle.

YUGOSLAVIA INCENSED

Belgrade: The judgment in the Bulgarian secret trial of those accused of complicity in the plot to overthrow the Toscheff Government burst like a bombshell here, where Col. Weltcheff, who is one of those sentenced to death, is exceedingly popular.

The text of the official communique was posted on the windows of all cafes and shops as though of world importance.

Several political organisations planned to hold mass meetings to protest against the sentence, but the police intervened.—Trans-Ocean Service.

12 MONTHS FOR MANAGER

Libel On Insurance Solicitor

GRAVEST RECORDER HAD EVER KNOWN

Sentence of 12 months' imprisonment was passed at the Old Bailey recently on Henry William Wicks, aged 42, an insurance manager, for publishing a defamatory libel concerning Mr. Francis James Ward Gurney, a solicitor, retained by the Sun Life Assurance Co., of Canada.

Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C., prosecuting, said Wicks was formerly employed by the Sun Life Company, and after leaving he had been engaged in unsuccessful litigation between the company and its servants. Mr. Gurney prosecuted a man named Chapman, former agent of the Sun Life Company at Northampton, who was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

Received Letter

While the case was pending in the police-court Chapman received from Wicks the letter on which the charge was based. In it Wicks referred to "this man Gurney, who, according to my experience, is a man of depraved moral character even more than his criminal associate, Fuller."

Sir Patrick said that the libel was the culmination of a campaign of vicious attacks for years on the Sun Life.

Mr. Granville Brown, defending, suggested it was the case of a highly excitable man who had invented all kinds of things without realising the seriousness of them.

The Recorder said it was one of the gravest libels he had known.

AIR RAID RELIC

An unexploded 18-pounder shell found during excavations at Southend-on-Sea is believed to have been fired during a German air raid.

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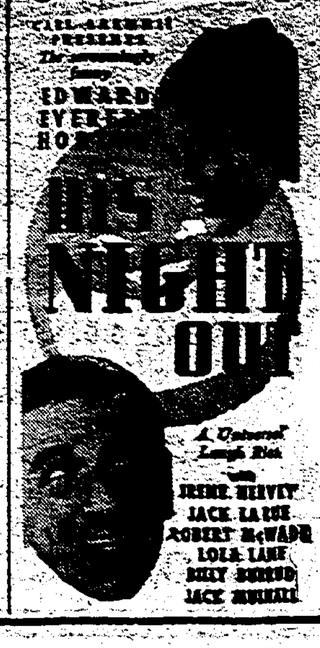

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